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## Needed! \$10,000 Mothers' Day Offering For Baptist Orphanage

Good Morning, My Dear Baptist Friends:

My name is James Holland and I am eight years old. I am being welcomed to my new home, the Baptist Orphanage, by Mr. G. W. Mize, Superintendent, who is now my personal friend and big pal. This home has been made possible by the Baptist denomination of Mississippi to take care of the many homeless boys and girls who have found refuge here, some temporarily and others perma-

nently until such time as they are able to go out into the world and support themselves.

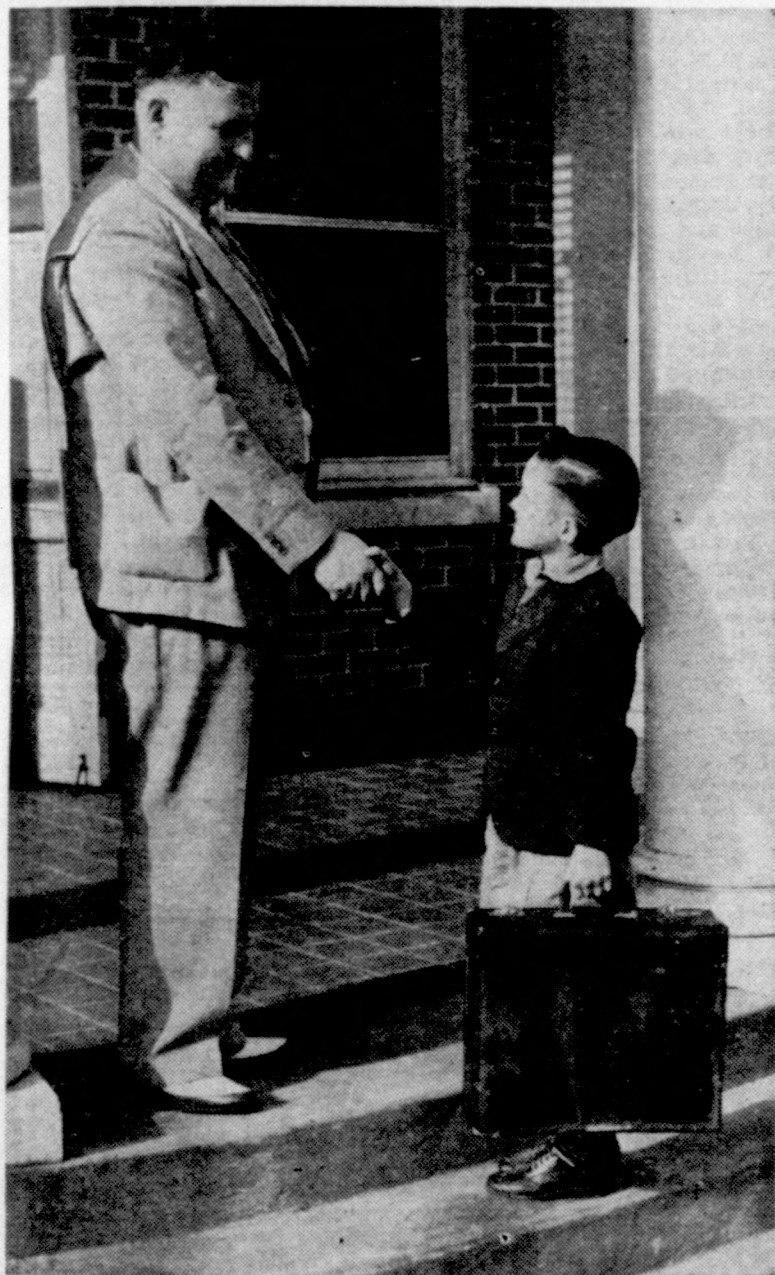
I came to the Orphanage in October, 1941 with my two brothers, Charles, 10, and Glenn Earl, 6. I like my new home very much and love all the people who make their home here and who are doing so much to guide the boys and girls in their daily lives to become useful Christian citizens. I came from Webster County, near Eupora, having been brought to the Orphanage by Mr. B. O. Tabb, superintendent of the Eupora Baptist Sunday School, who is a good friend of the Orphanage and also greatly interested in little children.

I live in the Memorial Building with about thirty other boys from three to eleven years of age. My matron is Mrs. Throgmorton. I love her very much. She is not my real mother but she takes the place of a mother, not only for me, but for the other many boys who make their home in our building. I am in the second grade and go to the Carter Orphanage school on our campus. Like other little boys we have some work to do in the Orphanage, but we also have time to play. We go to Sunday School, B. T. U., prayer meeting and church regularly and also have a devotional period in our building each night.

I have been told of the many nice things done for the children in the Orphanage and since I have been here I have learned this from experience. Many children received nice boxes of clothing at Easter. I was among this number as my name and needs had been sent to the Calvary Baptist Sunday School of Tupelo and they certainly remembered me in a fine way.

Mr. Mize has told me and all the children that the Sunday Schools, missionary societies and churches with all organized departments together with many individuals make a liberal cash offering for the Orphanage on MOTHER'S DAY. This opportunity will be given you on the second Sunday in May, which is the 10th. I know you will share with us willingly, cheerfully and liberally at this time. With deep appreciation for the faculty and all the children of the Orphanage, I am

Your new friend,  
JAMES HOLLAND.



W. G. Mize welcoming James Holland.

Many Orphanages throughout the South are financed through the Sunday School. The Sunday Schools setting aside one Sunday each month for this offering to be made. How fine this would be if our Baptist Sunday schools in Mississippi would adopt this plan of financing their own Baptist Orphanage. However, all Sunday schools are given this opportunity once a year and especially urged to do so by our Mississippi Baptist Convention. The time is the second Sunday in May, which is the 10th, Mother's Day. Let us all join together and make it 100%.

Help that little child whom mother loved better than her own life which she gave for him. Remember MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 10th. Send a liberal cash contribution to the Baptist Orphanage to assist with the care of these fine boys and girls.

Many people pass the Baptist Orphanage daily. Many of these are our Baptist friends. Some few stop but multitudes pass by. Occasionally some of them have been prevailed upon to spend the night. How glad we are to have them. We are rather surprised that we do not have more company. With the big share of stock many people have in the Orphanage, it seems they would like to take a look in and see how the investments are coming out.

There is no investment better than the investment in life. Give what you can to the promotion of a work whose object is to care for the child in the midst. Jesus sat a child in the midst and so do Mississippi Baptists. Do not forget the children of your own Baptist Orphanage on MOTHER'S Day, MAY 10th.

### NOW IS OUR CHANCE

I was once in a State Convention, not in Mississippi, but in a state where differences in opinions were pronounced and outspoken. They hardly felt they had had a convention unless there were one or more battles among the brethren about subjects that provoked intense controversy. They had developed polemics to a fine art; and it was a conflict of giants.

On this particular occasion, when the conflict had been at such a pitch as to elicit the strength of the most belligerent, the time arrived for the report on the Orphanage. A brother with a voice like soothing bells at eventide read the report, which began thus: "The Orphanage is the poem of the Baptists of our state." It fell like the quiet dew on the hot earth after a day of battle. Everybody relaxed and laughed inwardly. It was good to find something in which all were agreed and all were interested, in which all could participate in happy Christian fellowship.

So do our people feel about the work of caring for orphaned children in Mississippi. How the Lord has blessed them, and blessed us! It is a blessing to have a share in work like this.

"Jesus loves the little children." There ought to be a big arch over the entrance to the Orphanage grounds with some such inscription as this: "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up." This the Lord does, as He does most of His other work, through His people. We are the executors of His will.

If there is any place in the world where duty and beauty meet, it is in caring for motherless and fatherless children. All of us can be truly grateful for the provision being made for our children in the Orphanage. It is excellently managed; the children are healthy, happy, intelligent, and are given good mental and moral training. It is our privilege and joy to share in making this possible.

Mother's Day enables us to utilize a beautiful sentiment for a practical and holy purpose. Every man and woman with gratitude in their hearts for a mother's love, will be glad to help supply what is lacking or needed in the lives of these children of ours in the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. With growing gratitude and appreciation for the goodness of God in giving us the care of our own mothers, we will pass on to these children something of the blessings which have been ours. Our gift will gladden the hearts and enrich the lives of all these entrusted to our care.

P. L. LIPSEY

—BR—

The Baptist Orphanage gives the child physical, mental, social and spiritual training. We know every Mississippi Baptist is proud of the fact that they have a part in such training. Blessings upon them.

There are 175 boys and girls who make their home in the Baptist Orphanage who are looking to you for support. Do not fail them on MOTHER'S DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 10th.

The World Council of Churches with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, having access to the war prisons camps of Europe, has been allowed by the German authorities to distribute Russian New Testaments among Russian soldiers in the hands of the Germans. The appeal of the American Bible Society for funds to help in this work has met a generous response on the part of Northern and Southern Baptists. Baptist workers in Poland who speak Russian and who have been helping in the distribution of Testaments report that many of the Soviet soldiers were very eager to get the Scriptures.



### THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Historical and Biographical Notes  
By Hight C. Moore, Secretary

The story of the Southern Baptist Convention is too long for one article, even in a bare outline. One can give only a few glimpses here and there in the history of one of the leading religious bodies of the world.

#### Colonial Churches and Associations

When John Asplund, after eighteen months' investigation requiring him to travel 7,000 miles chiefly afoot through the original states, published the first register of American Baptists in 1790, he was able then to locate 885 churches with 65,708 members. In number of members Virginia led with 20,443. North Carolina came next with 7,503. Massachusetts came third with 7,116. South Carolina came fourth with 4,167. Five other states each had between three and four thousand.

The oldest church listed by Asplund was that of Providence, Rhode Island, which was organized in 1639. The oldest church listed in the South was that of Charleston, South Carolina, which was organized in 1690. None of the eleven other American Baptist churches organized in the seventeenth century was in the South.

The Philadelphia Association, constituted in 1707, with only five churches, is the oldest Baptist Association on the continent. The Charleston Association, constituted about 1720, is the oldest in the South.

#### The General Convention at Philadelphia

In 1812 when Judson and Rice as Congregational missionaries, sailed for India, there were in America 2,433 Baptist churches with a membership of 189,435. When Judson and Rice became Baptists and called on their American brethren to support their mission, a meeting was called for the organization of a general convention with this end in view.

Accordingly, thirty-three messengers from eleven states met in Philadelphia, May 18, 1814, and organized "The General Missionary Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States of America for Foreign Missions," which came to be generally but not officially called the Triennial Convention since it met once in three years. Richard Furman was the first president and Adoniram Judson was the first missionary. It was through this historic body that the entire denomination in this country did its foreign mission work for thirty years.

#### The Southern Convention at Augusta

The question of slavery, which was acute in the thirties and forties of last century, came up repeatedly without causing rupture in the Convention. Even in 1844, after full discussion, the Convention resolved to be neutral on the subject in its co-operative mission work, though being free as individuals to express their views. However, the action was disregarded in December of that year when the executive board declared: "If any one should offer himself for a missionary, having slaves, should insist on retaining them as his property, we could not appoint him." In April, 1845, the American Baptist Home Mission Society added fuel to the flame by declaring it expedient that its work should be accomplished in separate organizations at the South and at the North. "These two acts on the part of Northern Baptists," says Dr. H. C. Vedder in recording them, "rendered the maintenance of denominational unity impossible."

It was upon call of the Virginia Baptist Foreign Mission Society—that a meeting was held in Augusta, Georgia, May 8-12, 1845, attended by 325 messengers from eight states (Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Kentucky) and the District of Columbia. The Southern Baptist Convention was organized and plans laid for the immediate establishment of Boards of Foreign and Domestic Missions, located respectively at Rich-

mond, Virginia, and Marion, Alabama.

In its official address the Convention declared: "Northern and Southern Baptists are still brethren. They differ in no article of the faith. They are guided by the same principles of gospel order. We do not regard the rupture as extending to foundation principles, nor can we think that the great body of our Northern brethren will so regard it."

That the separation was of signal advantage was the opinion of Dr. W. H. Whitsitt, who said: "It was of advantage to our Northern brethren, because it promoted their peace and union. They could never have been rightly at harmony among themselves as long as their Southern brethren remained in the same organization. It was of advantage to Southern Baptists in different directions, but especially because it developed their missionary enterprise and activity."

#### Agencies of Southern Baptists

The Foreign Mission Board was established at Richmond, Virginia, in 1845. Its first missionaries were Rev. J. L. Shuck, the first American Baptist missionary to China, sent out in 1835, and Rev. I. J. Roberts, also of China. The board's receipts its first year were \$5,824.13.

The Board of Domestic and Indian Missions also dates back to 1845 and was first located at Marion, Alabama. Its first year's receipts were \$11,188.80. In 1882 its name was changed to Home Mission Board and it was removed to Atlanta, Georgia.

The original Sunday School Board, located at Greenville, South Carolina, in 1863, removed after the Civil War to Memphis, Tennessee, and in 1873 consolidated with the Home Mission Board which from 1885 published the international lessons in its "Kind Words Series" of periodicals till 1891. The Bible Board located at Nashville, 1851, continued but ten years, its work being stopped by the Civil War and transferred by the Convention to the two Mission Boards. In 1891 the Convention founded the Sunday School Board and located it at Nashville, Tennessee. Its first publications were issued for the first quarter of 1892, and its first year's receipts were \$19,957.83.

The Relief and Annuity Board was founded in 1918 and located at Dallas, Texas.

The Education Board was founded in 1919 and located at Birmingham, Alabama. It was discontinued by the Convention in 1928.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was established in 1859 at Greenville, South Carolina, but removed in 1877 to Louisville, Kentucky.

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary was chartered in 1908 and in 1910 was removed from Waco to Fort Worth, Texas.

The Baptist Bible Institute was established in 1917 at New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Woman's Missionary Union with headquarters at Baltimore was recognized in 1888 as Auxiliary to the Convention. In 1928 it was located at Birmingham, Alabama.

The Layman's Missionary Movement dates from 1907, with its offices in Baltimore for seven years and in Chattanooga for two years and in Knoxville for twenty-two years. There it became the Baptist Brotherhood of the South in 1926. Since 1938 its headquarters have been Memphis, Tennessee.

#### Masters of Assemblies

The twenty-one presidents of the Convention have been masters of assemblies, worthy of the confidence reposed in them and worthy to preside over the significant sessions that have been held.

The first in the chair was Rev. William B. Johnson, "the Nestor of the South Carolina pulpit," who presided over three meetings. The next was Dr. R. B. C. Howell, the eminent Biblical expositor and defender of the faith who served four sessions. The next two meetings were presided over by Dr. Richard Fuller, the celebrated pulpit orator of Baltimore.

Dr. P. H. Mell, of Georgia, one of the world's great parliamentarians, presided

over the Convention one period of seven years and another period of eight years, making fifteen in all, which is a half decade longer than any other president ever occupied the chair. Between these two periods, Dr. James P. Boyce held the gavel for eight years with distinction and served still another year after Dr. Mell's final retirement, so that he twice succeeded his great predecessor.

In 1889 the gavel passed into the hands of Judge Jonathan Haralson, of the Supreme Court of Alabama, and he held it with marked ability for ten years.

The present tenure of two years is generally accepted, but from 1899 to 1939 the presidential terms were three years excepting that of Dr. Gambrell who was elected for the fourth time at Washington in 1920 and that of Dr. Brown who was prevented by illness from presiding over the Convention in Washington in 1933.

The Convention chair thus passed successively to Hon. W. J. Northen, a leading layman and former governor of Georgia; to Rev. James P. Eagle, former governor of Arkansas, who was also a successful lawyer, farmer, and preacher; to Hon. E. W. Stephens, a foremost publisher, journalist, and citizen of Missouri; to Hon. Joshua Levering, a prominent business man of Baltimore, and once prohibition candidate for the presidency of the United States; to Dr. E. C. Dargan, the distinguished preacher, theological teacher and author, then of Georgia; to Dr. Lansing Burrows, the eminent secretary, statistician and Christian statesman, to Dr. J. B. Gambrell, widely recognized and beloved as the Baptist Commoner; to Dr. E. Y. Mullins, with international reputation as author, theologian, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and president of the Baptist World Alliance; to Dr. George W. McDaniel, renowned as preacher and pastor and widely recognized as religious and civic leader; to Dr. George W. Truett, outstanding the world over as "a good minister of Jesus Christ," shepherding the First Baptist Church of Dallas forty-five years, president of the Baptist World Alliance presiding over the Congress in Atlanta in 1939; to Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, eminent educator, Seminary president, teacher of Church History, president of Furman University; to Dr. F. B. Brown, orator of persuasive power, pastor of the shepherd heart, a force for righteousness in the life around him; to Dr. M. E. Dodd, inspirational interpreter of the gospel, genial and

gifted in fellowship and leadership; to Dr. John R. Sampey, Bible scholar, teacher of teachers and preachers, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary since 1929, member of the International Sunday School Lesson Committee since 1805 (succeeding Dr. Broadus) and its chairman since 1915; to Dr. L. R. Scarborough, apostle of worldwide evangelism, leader of leaders in the Lord, president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary since 1908; and to Dr. W. W. Hamilton, trainer of pastors, evangelists, and missionaries, formerly general evangelist of the Home Mission Board, president of the Baptist Bible Institute since 1928.

#### Convention Secretaries

The twenty-four recording secretaries of the Convention have been elected from seven states. Five were elected from Alabama—Jesse Hartwell, Basil Manly, Jr., James M. Watts, Truman S. Sumner and Oliver F. Gregory. Five were elected from Kentucky—W. Pope Yeaman, J. Russell Hawkins, M. B. Wharton, C. E. W. Dobbs and Lansing Burrows. Five were elected from Virginia—James C. Crane, H. K. Ellyson, A. P. Abell, C. C. Bitting, and W. E. Turner. Four were elected from Georgia—Sylvanus Landrum, W. O. Tuggle, G. R. McCall and J. Henry Burnett. Three were elected from Maryland—George B. Taylor, A. Fuller Crane and E. Calvin Williams. One was elected from Mississippi—William Carey Crane. One was elected from North Carolina—Hight C. Moore. The longest terms of service have been: Gregory, 39 years; Burrows, 33 years; Moore, 29 years; Burnett, 24 years.

The registration of all accredited messengers to the Convention sessions has reached a grand total of 138,402. Of this number 26,693 were registered at the sessions from 1845 to 1913 and 111,709 from 1914 to 1941 inclusive.

It may be added that the Southern Baptist Convention had a reported representation of 9,804 who paid the \$2.50 registration fee at the Congress of the

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# Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,  
And a better thing to do,  
Is — work with the construction gang,  
Not with the wreckin' crew."

## I

"Giving" is a habit, or should be. Some folks do not "give," because they never have practiced it! Giving to the Cooperative Program causes helps form the habit! Special offerings are New Testament, and Old Testament, in original and continuance. They help us form the habit!

If you never "tithe" you never give scripturally!  
If you never participate in specials you fall that much short of scriptural practice.

## II

Many of our people underestimate the value of Study Courses in "Soul-winning." Certainly such a study should precede each revival. Books by Drs. Burroughs, Crouch, Hamilton, Leavell, and others are invaluable. They are Bible expositions. They illustrate from experience.

It is well for a personal worker to master one or two of the very best tracts available on Soul-winning.

## III

Mississippi Baptists have many open doors before them. We need to advance in B. S. U. work, in our work for the Indians, Negroes and Chinese.

Two things we must do if and before we begin to realize upon our larger possibilities.

First, we need to reach all our Baptist men for Christ, through the Brotherhood, or some similar effort, as our Baptist women are reached through the W. M. U. It can be done!

Second, we must go on in helping the rural church. Let us stop talking about it, and do it! Let us stop expressing our regrets over it and advance!

HOW? PRAYER! PLANNING! PREACHING!  
—Increase contributions through Cooperative Program channels. These churches receive help at that source. Double State Mission offerings. Put some good men, able men in the field to live among the folks and show them the way!

Mississippi Baptists are on the march!

## IV

A few days ago we learned that we now have in the Service 230 Baptist Chaplains, but there is a request for 210 more.

Mississippi Baptist should give themselves in prayer as we face this need and opportunity.

## V

Baptists Building in Brazil, by Dr. Ben Oliver, is an interesting book just off the press. It is good reading and is a fine mission study book. Get your copy at the Baptist Book Store.

Chapter topics are:

1. Pulling Back the Curtain.
2. The First Rays of Light.
3. The Growing Light of a New Day.
4. The Open Door of Brazil.
5. What of Tomorrow?

## VI

In going through some materials we ran upon some monthly church letters, while pastor at Griffith Memorial, that went out to our folks during those days.

The following paragraph is indicative of the Doxology frequently sounding out in our heart:  
"Howdy Folks!

"Last Sunday closed the 5th year of this pastorate. Happy years they have been and what is better, growing years. Exactly 500 additions during this time as follows: 37 in 1926 (the pastor came on the field June 1, was away during July and August at Ridgcrest); 1927, 80; 1928, 79; 1929, 81; 1930, 115; 1931, 108; Total, 500. Fifteen of the 37 people joining in 1926 are still here and among our most active members. Approximately \$50,000 contributed to all causes and other marks of progress

bringing the church to a position of influence in the State."

## VII

We have four of our Lord's churches that gave through this office to Evangelism, Missions, Christian Education, and philanthropy EVERY week in the year of 1941. They are as follows:

Vicksburg First.  
Salem (Covington).  
Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue South.  
Drew (all but one week).

Congratulations and congratulations again!

The pastors are:

D. Swan Haworth, Vicksburg.  
J. Reese Rogers, Salem.  
B. F. Craft, Hattiesburg.  
W. S. Hardin, Drew.

The treasurers are:

Mrs. Oscar Harvey, Vicksburg First.  
Mrs. A. G. Grantham, Salem.  
Mrs. H. T. McCurry, Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue.

Mrs. J. W. Starnes, Drew.

Doxology!

## VIII

We are happy to list the churches giving EVERY month of 1941 through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM:

Brookhaven	Tishomingo Chapel
Crosby	Quitman
Mt. Vernon (Mississippi)	Columbus, 1st
Newton	Salem (Covington)
Longtown (Panola)	Greenville, 1st
Carriere	Pass Christian
Corinth (Pearl River)	Jackson-Parkway
Picayune	Utica
Pine Grove (Pearl River)	Vicksburg, 1st
Richton	Stringer
McComb, 1st	Laurel-West
Pelahatchie	Marion
Magee	Meridian, 1st
Dockery	Meridian, Southside
Drew	Oak Grove
Ruleville	Hattiesburg, 28th Ave. South
Sumner	Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.
Port Gibson	Hattiesburg, Immanuel
New Albany	Lumberton
Poplar Flat (Winston)	Sherman
Eupora	Tupelo-Calvary
Corinth 1st	Mathiston
Myrtle	

We thank you heartily!

May this list grow!

Then we will have more churches going a step farther in remitting every week. I Cor. 16:1-2.

Doxology!

## IX

Brother Pastor! Are you winning folks to Christ? Are you baptizing folks? Are your sermons evangelistic? Are you speaking to persons about Jesus? Are you cultivating and challenging your people in the matter of soul winning? Has your church recently had a study course in soul-winning? Do you give out literature on Soul-winning? Do you write letters to the lost? Do you cultivate the lost looking toward winning them to Christ? Do you carry them as a burden upon your heart? Do your people ask prayer for the lost at prayer meeting, out of their groups, and friends, and families?

We join you in prayer!

## BR

**LUDLOW BAPTIST CHURCH, LUDLOW, Miss.:**  
We are planning a Sunday school course in the near future, also a Vacation Bible school June 28 through July 12. The Sunday school and all of the W. M. U. auxiliaries are doing fine work. The Lord gave us a good day Sunday, with the pastor bringing a good message at the 11:00 o'clock hour, and observing the Lord's Supper at the evening worship.—Reporter.

## BR

**Salem Baptist Church, Walthall County opened** their Library Sunday night with 28 books. They hope to have more soon. Miss Irene Ellzey is the Librarian.

## BR

"Our membership seems to be reading The Baptist Record. It was a good move to send it on the EVERY FAMILY Plan."—S. B. Berry, 5th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, Miss.

## OPPORTUNITY OR TRAGEDY?

Picture what it could mean if all the soldiers, sailors, and airmen who are going out from our communities were Christians—earnest, devout, witnessing Christians. Suppose they could be prepared spiritually for the unusual experiences which lie ahead. Suppose they were imbued with a passion to win souls. As they go throughout our land—and other lands—what could they not do for the cause of Christ!

Many of our churches have already lost, or are facing the prospect of losing in the days ahead, a great percentage of their young men to the armed forces or defense industries. The churches do not thereby lose responsibility for their spiritual welfare. Perhaps that responsibility increases.

Certainly responsibility increases for every church to press forward immediately to enlist numbers of their remaining unreached young people and win them for regular Bible study and for Christ. If our men are to go to war, they should go to war as Christians, with the sustaining power of a great Saviour.

In conversation with an Alabama pastor recently, he was describing the great losses his church had already sustained to the armed forces and to seven-day-a-week defense industries. He had lost the bulk of his young people and much of the younger leadership of the church. The ministry of his church of necessity—to meet the opportunities of the present—must follow new lines—must minister to people who no longer could attend Sunday services. He was using his Extension department of the Sunday school to great effect with those who worked on Sunday. And then, in thinking of his responsibility to the boys away in the service of country and those yet to go, he exclaimed, "Three of the boys from our church are in the armed forces—one in Alabama, one in Florida, and one was wounded at Pearl Harbor. Oh, if those boys were all earnest, soul-winning Christians, our little church would already have active missionaries in the camps of our land, and even in Hawaii."

Let us not forget, also, that our young women are being called to active duty as nurses. What great opportunities there are today for Christian nurses to meet both physical and spiritual need!

Surely our churches never faced greater testings—nor greater opportunities. A seeming difficulty and tragedy might become the greatest opportunity. Where could emphasis be placed with greater hope of fruitfulness than upon the immediate enlisting, teaching, winning, and training for Christian living of those young men and women who are with us yet.

Perhaps there is a challenge for us in the story recorded in Second Kings where the servant had been given by his king the responsibility of keeping in custody a certain important personage. This was his assignment. For some reason the servant failed in his duty, and these were his tragic words, "And as thy servant was busy here and there—he was gone."

Will today be for us opportunity or tragedy?

—A. V. WASHBURN.

## BR

**Dr. John R. Sampey** has written the trustees of his desire to retire from the presidency of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the end of the present session. The trustees will meet Friday, May 15, at San Antonio, Texas. The writer expects to be present. A professor of Church History is also to be elected. Dr. Sampey expects to continue as professor of Old Testament Interpretation.

## BR

**The Baptist Bible Institute breakfast** at the Southern Baptist Convention in San Antonio will take place at the Milam Cafeteria, Tuesday morning, May 19, at 7:15. Tickets may be purchased in advance. Prof. E. L. Carnett is in charge of arrangements and may be seen at the Baptist Bible Institute booth.—W. W. Hamilton.

## BR

**Pastor J. D. Griffin of the Goodyear Baptist Church, Picayune,** closed two series of sermons on Easter Sunday. The theme for the morning messages was "The Baptist Faith and Message." At the night services the general theme was "Knowing Jesus."



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## GOD'S PRIORITIES

Every day we are meeting priorities. And like good Americans, most of us are accepting them without complaint. We realize that our war needs must be met before our personal desires. We buy bonds in order to escape wearing them. We pay taxes on certain articles to help pay for implements of war. We pay taxes to Uncle Sam now rather than to Hitler later. We can't build as we want, but as the government allows. Sugar is on the priority list. So is steel. You probably need automobile tires, but they are on the priority list. Women's and men's clothes are to be made according to government regulations. We don't say that we will build buildings, or buy sugar, or purchase tires as we are able, or as we feel, but according to the regulations. Certainly we should be as obedient to God as to our government. The government can only try to protect us physically. God WILL protect us both physically and spiritually. "But my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19. If we obey a government that can only try to protect us here, common sense dictates that we should obey God who will take care of us here and hereafter. As Christians we need to realize that God also has a priority list.

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." "Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse." These are plain priorities. God's word commands us to BRING ALL of it, not what we can spare, not what we can do cheerfully, not what is left, but ALL of it. We obey the laws of our land concerning priorities, and surely we should obey God's law. Many men last year turned deaf ears to the pleas of faithful pastors. They said they were not able; but when a tax on tires became effective, they paid it. They pay the cosmetic tax, the income tax (stiffest in our history). They bring empty shaving cream tubes, or they buy no shaving cream.

We must obey God's priorities. There is no escaping them. Some people think they can keep God's part, but they can't. They just think so. We believe that had we been faithful with God's priorities in times past that we would escape the taxes of war now.

If we fail to respect God's priorities, He collects. We pay willingly or unwillingly. Many an accident or loss is simply God's way of punishing us for failure to obey His word.

Another priority concerns the Sabbath. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." God always has, and always will, bless those who obey Him, and punish those that disobey Him. Recently Dr. Bryan Simmons gave concrete evidence of this truth. A merchant felt that he must keep his business open on Sunday. But after a message by the pastor he decided to try God's way. Within a few weeks he was doing more business in six days than he had previously done in seven.

In a former pastorate we spoke to a man that insisted on doing business on Sunday. His reply was that he had so much sickness that he needed to work every day to pay doctor and hospital bills. Our reply was that if he would obey God's law he wouldn't have so much sickness.

God also has priority on our talents. We are saved to serve. Salvation does not consist of a non-stop ticket to heaven. God not only expects a portion of our time and money, but a part of our talents. Some have one talent, others have another. Whatever our ability may be God wants us to use it in His service.

Our government is drafting men for its armed service. They are then tested according to their several abilities. Some are assigned to front line service, some to clerical work, some to serve on land, in the air and on the sea. And these men are using their talents in an effort to win the war. So

should every Christian dedicate his talents to the Christian warfare.

We look with disgust upon any one who tries to evade the draft. We shower abuse on those who try to "get by" priority orders. If human beings look thus upon priority evaders how much more does God frown upon those who evade His priorities?

Let there be no civil slackers, and let there be no spiritual slackers.

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## OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

## SEND YOUR PASTOR

The Southern Baptist Convention will meet May 16-20, in San Antonio, Texas. The program is one of the best prepared in years, and its execution will be carried out in detail. Each separate item will be followed by a period of open discussion. Probably not in years will the Baptists hold a more important gathering.

But it is a long way to San Antonio, and pastors with limited incomes will find it impossible to attend the Convention if the churches do not bear the expense in whole or in part. The Christian Index hopes that the churches will send their pastors and, if possible a layman to take part in the San Antonio Convention.

After many years in the pastorate and a number of years as editor of The Index, we can say, without hesitancy, that attendance upon the State and Southern Conventions means much to the pastor, but more to the church that insists that he go, and assumes the expenses of his attendance.—The Christian Index.

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## Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

## CHRISTIANITY IN THE COUNTRY CHURCHES

W. S. Landrum

We have been taught from time immemorial that the country church is the seat of the defenders of the faith, once for all delivered to the saints. In our country, this was certainly true in the pioneer days. But how about it today? Well, this pastor has had opportunity to visit and observe in both the urban and rural churches. I am persuaded that the country church can still boast the purest of the "old-time Religion." There is a good reason for this. The very environment of the country church—removed from the vanities, isms, and the various sinful contacts that adulterates and contaminates New Testament religion. These are not so promiscuous in the country as in the more compact centers, and therefore, are not tempted so much to become the religious-socialized organizations—with the principles which Christ enunciated for His church, largely compromised out. Of course, some of these conditions obtain in the country church, but they are not so pronounced.

If the evils, which are sapping so many of our churches, are to be successfully combatted, what are we to do about them? Especially if the rural church is to continue to make its contribution toward a better spiritual condition.

First, I would suggest that the ministry, as a whole, will have to realize the value of the rural church as a source of this finer contribution to the Baptist denomination. We are to be willing to give of our time, or to lend our influence, or even make some real sacrifices of self—even our possessions—to maintain such churches of spiritual power.

In the second place, I would suggest that our larger and financially stronger churches, along with our denomination, would do well to provide an equalizing or aid fund, with which to build up and maintain these sources of spiritual supply.

The rural communities are rapidly being modern-

ized—many of the conveniences once found only in the towns and cities are now common in the country sections. These are fine. We have long coveted them for our country people. But many of these things are having the tendency of diverting the attention and interest of our people from the country home and church to more populated districts. Take, for instance, the transferring of the children to the town school for high school training. They receive a good high school education, and are thus prepared for a more lucrative position than they can get in the country, and off they go to town. With them go often, their leadership and training for church service, and also their financial ability to support the old home country church.

A very few of our people on the farms make a decent living. Recent statistics show that the average cash income for southern farmers is less than \$150 per family. How can these people have adequate homes—churches—transportation—time for church and other organized activities—pastors living on the fields with them, and many other things that money is required in doing, when they can hardly drive the wolf from the door?

I doubt if 2% of our denominational receipts are used in support of these great little churches of God. Something should be done about this great need. To me, it is a great challenge and wonderfully worthy work. We would not help these churches for the sake of the individual church so much, but for the sake of leaders in the Kingdom of Christ throughout the whole world—for the sake of the salvation of a lost world—for the sake of society in general.

Some would say, let the country people get busy and make their own money for their churches and other needs, they are responsible for their own financial conditions. I do not believe a word of it. Rather, they are the victims of a social, political, and business system over which they do not have any control. I believe this with all my heart. Many of our trained preachers refuse to consider these churches because of these hard conditions and seek better paying churches. I know we do not like to confess this, but it is true.

Baptist people have been pioneers in religious liberty and other things. Certainly it is time for us to rise up in a concerted effort for better living conditions in our rural sections—for a fair play with them in a more just distribution of wealth—especially with reference to what they produce.

We need to pray, vote, work and live differently. Then perhaps these needs can be secured for our much neglected people and churches. Let not the large, strong church in numbers and wealth be satisfied in doing the big things that money only can do, until they have helped these struggling churches, which Jesus loves, by returning to these people a part of the money they have earned with tired hands and toiling hearts. Surely their brand of moral stamina and the purity of their faith merit it.

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## PREACHER, TAKE NOTE

Some days ago, a friend who represents a great cause of the church told the writer of a pastor in one of the churches who was not in sympathy with the cause he represents. It was more than that. He seemed definitely antagonistic. No special offering would be allowed in his church for this cause, though it was allowed by the assembly and requested by the synod. No literature for this cause would be distributed. It looked like this preacher had this thing sewed up.

But wait a minute. Two members of that self-same congregation made a gift to the above suggested cause. They gave \$10,000.00.

A very interesting question in psychology is suggested. Did the pastor's opposition hurt or help the cause financially?—Copied from Thornwell Messenger, Presbyterian Church U. S., Clinton, South Carolina.

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Even He that died for us upon the cross, in the last hour, in the unutterable agony of death, was mindful of his mother, as if to teach us that this holy one should be our last worldly thought.—Henry W. Longfellow.

In your mother's name or memory help a motherless child at the Baptist Orphanage.



# HISTORY OF EARLY MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST LIFE

The story of the discovery of the great Mississippi river, the "Father of Waters," by Hernando DeSoto, in May, 1541, is familiar to all readers of history, and is the beginning of the written history of the great State bearing the same name. Its western border is washed by the waters of this great river for three hundred miles or more, until near its delta it cuts through the present State of Louisiana, leaving a small section of that State on its eastern side.

The bold discoverer, DeSoto, was born in Spain in 1496, and with his adventurous and warlike soldiers, after explorations of the costs of Guatemala and Lucatan, and later through Peru, where he became famous and rich through his prowess and heroism, he returned to Spain with a fortune. After his marriage to the accomplished Donna Isabella Bobadilla, he, after a second expedition, led by Pamfilo de Narvaez, which proved unfruitful and disastrous, sailed from Spain in 1538, and finally anchored at Tampa Bay, Florida. After wandering and fighting his way with the Indians through Florida, Georgia and Alabama, losing many of his men and enduring man hardships, "DeSoto and his steel-clad warriors entered the present State of Mississippi, in December, 1540, near where the beautiful city of Columbus now stands, in Lowndes county." DeSoto and his veteran followers were the first white men to tread the soil of Mississippi. They entered the territory of Mississippi forty-five years before the English landed in North Carolina, in 1585; sixty-seven years before the first settlement was made in Jamestown, Va., in 1607; eighty years before the Pilgrims of the Mayflower made their first landing at Plymouth Rock, in 1620; ninety years before the first settlement was made on the shore of Chesapeake Bay, in Maryland, in 1631; and only six years later than Cartier, a French navigator, entered the St. Lawrence river and claimed the entire "Dominion of Canada" for his royal master, the king of France, in the year 1534." (Hist. of Miss., Lowry and McCardle, pp. 11, 12.)

Fortifying himself in the territory which is now Pontotoc county, he went into winter quarters; later sustaining a fierce and disastrous attack from the Chickasaw Indians. In his disabled condition, he proceeded northwest and in May, 1541, at the Chickasaw Bluffs, the site of the city of Memphis, he and his men, for the first time, looked upon the waters of the world's greatest river. He crossed the river, wandered aimlessly through the tangled swamps of Arkansas and Louisiana, and died May 21, 1542.

The first permanent settlement on Mississippi soil was made under the direction of a French naval officer, Pierre Lemoyne, who is known as D'Iberville. He thus describes it, in his report to the minister of marine: "After having visited several places well adapted for settlements, I fixed on the Bay of Biloxi, four leagues north of where the ships are anchored. We made choice of this point on account of the sheltered bay or roadstead, where small vessels can come and go safely at all times. A place for a permanent settlement can be selected at leisure." "Here, too," say Lowry and McCardle, "was first established the seat of the colonial government of Louisiana. Here, also, was heard the voice of Louis the Great, uttered by royal governors and viceregents, to his subjects, in this far-away quarter of the world."

"The seat of the colonial government was established at Biloxi."

The next permanent settlement also by the French, was made near the site of the present city of Natchez. Under the supervision and command of Lieutenant Governor Bienville, "Fort Rosalie was completed and ready for occupation on the third day of August, 1716; and on the 28th of the same month a French garrison occupied the fort, with Major Pailloux in command."

All the territory embraced in the

present states of Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and a small portion of the present state of Louisiana, was acquired by the English from France in a treaty which was agreed on in Paris, June 1, 1763. Mississippi, which was then under English dominion, was included in the vast territory mentioned above, and remained under the British rule for seventeen years as a portion of the province of West Florida, into which England divided the southern section of the territory acquired from France. A policy was pursued by the English which led to the rapid settling up of the country.

"In the year 1772 two brothers, Richard and Samuel Swayze, natives of New Jersey, purchased nineteen thousand acres of land from Captain Amos Ogden, a retired naval officer who had previously been granted a tract of twenty-five thousand acres. They located their purchase on the waters of the Homochitto river in what is now Adams county. Samuel Swayze had been for years a Congregational minister in his native State, and was the first Protestant minister ever seen on the soil of Mississippi." (Hist. of Miss., L. and McC., p. 49.)

The revolt of the American colonies Spain an opportunity to seize from England's complications with France, gave Spain an opportunity to seize from England all the country along the Mississippi from New Orleans up to and including the Natchez country in 1779, and in 1783, the king of England ceded the whole of West Florida (including Mississippi) to the king of Spain, and thus our commonwealth, then territory, passed under Spanish rule, and at the same time the king of England recognized the independence of the United States of America.

As soon as Spanish rule was established in the Natchez country, Roman Catholicism was declared to be the only allowable religion of the land. The hand of persecution was then raised against every one who dared to dissent from Romanism.

"About the year 1743, there lived in Dinwiddie county, near Petersburg, Virginia, a newly married couple of Welch descent, by the name of William and Phoebe Jones. Mr. Jones soon after died, leaving a young widow and an only son, by the name of John. Within a few years after the death of her husband, Mrs. Jones married the man who will hereafter be known in these sketches as Richard Curtis, senior, by which marriage they had five sons and three daughters. After the marriage of Mrs. Jones to Mr. Curtis we have no very satisfactory knowledge of the family for about thirty years. In the meantime, John Jones, the son of Mrs. Curtis by her first marriage, had grown up to manhood, and on the 28th of June, 1768, had married Miss Anna Brown, daughter of Abraham Brown. At the breaking out of the Revolutionary War, the family was found in South Carolina, on the Great Pedee river, near the mouth of Black river, and about sixty miles from Charleston. At the Declaration of Independence John Jones ardently espoused the cause of the Revolutionists—served three campaigns against the British and Tories, under that indomitable warrior, Captain, afterwards General Francis Marion, was in several battles, including the siege of Charleston. His step-father and half-brothers, doubtless took part in the war, but precisely what their services were cannot now be ascertained. By the close of 1779, Mr. Jones and the Messrs Curtis—the step-father and half-brothers—and their Tory neighbors, by their devotion rendered themselves so obnoxious to the Colonial cause that they found their situation not only vexatious but perilous. In the meantime, several of the leading members of the family had embraced religion and joined a Baptist church, among whom were John Jones, William, Benjamin and Richard Curtis, and their wives, John Courtney, who had married Hannah Curtis, and John Stampley, who

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## SOLDIER IS THANKFUL FOR PASTOR'S LETTER Finds Comfort in Bible

Dear Brother Holland:

... Tell all the people back home that we think of them lots and give them our love. Pray that this war will soon be over and we can all come home. I pray all the time now and I did not know that the Bible and God could be such a comfort to a man.

Thank you so much for writing and I will write to you often. I will be here a few more days and then I don't know where I am going, so keep on writing to me here.

Love, and the best of luck.

GRENES FREELER,  
Naval Station,  
San Diego, Calif.

—BR—

Graduating exercises of the School of Nursing for the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans will be held on Tuesday evening, May 5, at 8:00 o'clock, at Saint Charles Avenue Baptist Church.

His many friends will sympathize with Mr. M. E. Perry in the illness of his wife. She is being treated at the South Mississippi Infirmary at Hattiesburg.

## SUMRALL

Last Sunday morning the Sumrall Baptist Church made a special offering for the Baptist World Emergency Relief Fund. This matter is also to be presented at Seminary next Sunday.

Two weeks ago we had B. T. U. Study Course Week. Three classes were taught; one each for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors. The teachers were Miss Emma Thompson, Miss Bonnie McDonald and Mrs. Spivey Gulon. The B. T. U. director in charge was Miss Evelyn Scott.

Church attendance and interest in all organizations have shown a healthy increase. Brotherhood finances the EF Plan for The Record in the church.—T. W. T.

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### BROTHER-SISTER PRAYER BAND— SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK EACH EVENING

Each Tuesday night at 7:15 o'clock the young people meet at the Young Women's Christian Association for prayer.

Brother Herman A. Milner of Lena, Miss., who is now principal of Pearl School of Star, Miss., pastor of Liverpool Baptist Church, Yazoo County, Mountain Creek Baptist Church, Rankin County, and Antioch Church, Simpson County, and a former student of both Clarke College of Newton, Miss., and Mississippi College at Clinton, Miss., is the leader of this group. It was organized last February, with only seven charter members—five girls and two boys—Mrs. U. S. Bridges, of Clear Branch Church, Florence, Miss., is mother of this band, who also teaches at Pearl School. The group has had a steady growth in number. At least eleven towns in the state of Mississippi are represented, and many states, too. It consists of young people of all walks of life—students, teachers, business boys and girls, soldiers, etc. Some are now scattered throughout the United States, and, no doubt, some are across the waters by now, others on the waters, and in the air. However, each takes time, wherever he or she may be, for silent prayer. Oh, how it does strengthen! United prayer gives more power (James 5:16; Mark 9:23).

A sweet thought to know that many meet in spirit at 6:30 o'clock each evening and Tuesday evening at 7:15 o'clock, meet in person to pray for Divine guidance in meeting their responsibilities and to express their gratitude for all good gifts given each day. All problems are brought for impersonal discussion, too.

Donations are given with the intention some day of building a great institution for God—perhaps a Girls' Rescue Home. The money is being received of ones who drink cold drinks. As they give a nickel to quench their thirst (physically), they put away this same amount for those in darkness, who are thirsty for the Living Water, and hungering for the Bread of Life (spiritually), (Malachi 3:10).

Now is the time for the Christian people to show the enemies of darkness that there is a God of Love, and too, show His power, so that they, too, be constrained to follow Jesus.

May each member pray very persistently, and with great expectancy, trusting and obeying fully at all times, living by John 1:7 each day.

Our country's slogan is "Remember Pearl Harbor." A terrible war is on (materially), but a greater war is on (spiritually).

Brother-Sister Prayer Band's slogan is: "Remember 6:30 o'clock p. m.—Prayer Each Day."

By the adopted mother of the Prayer Band,  
MRS. U. S. BRIDGES, Star, Mississippi.

—BR—

Miss Georgia Ogburn writes enthusiastically of the opening exercises of the Training School in Santiago, Chile. Eight students are enrolled this year and two were turned away because there was no room. She says: "The young ladies who have come seem to be quite promising and we have been able to secure those with more preparation than we at first thought we would have. The girls have entered right into the work and seem to be fitting in fine." (Miss Ogburn is from Meridian, and is a graduate of Blue Mountain and the Louisville Training School.—Editor.)

His many friends will sympathize with Rev. R. R. Brigrance of Mt. Olive in the death of his father, George W. Brigrance, on April 19. He was 76 years of age. A native of Mt. Olive, he had lived at Whitehaven, Tenn., for many years, and had taught the Men's Bible Class there for twenty years.

### DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION?

Secretary McCall reminds us that enrollment cards for the use of messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in San Antonio, Texas, May 16-20, 1942, may be obtained from his office. Just a postal card from each person desiring an enrollment card, or cards, will do the work. The address is,—D. A. McCall, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

### BAPTIST PASTORS CONFERENCE WELCOMES SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Rev. F. C. Dutton

President San Antonio Baptist Pastors Conference

San Antonio Baptists are reminded of "the old woman who lived in a shoe." But unlike the old woman, we know what to do, and everything we know to do is being done to make Southern Baptists welcome and comfortable during their visit to San Antonio for their 87th convention celebrating their 97 years of spiritual service to the nation and to the world.

It has been eight years since the Convention has met in Texas and this is the first time for it to meet in San Antonio. Upon this occasion every local pastor is doing his utmost to be a good host to the people called Baptists.

Sixteen different committees being led by Dr. Perry F. Webb of the First Baptist Church are working overtime with preparations. The housing committee led by Dr. Clyde V. Hickerson of Baptist Temple has already received and made more than 2,000 reservations. Deacon Grover Quillan has charge of the room reservations. Preparations to house upward of 6,000 souls are being made.

San Antonio Baptists with their 26 white Baptist churches and their 17,000 members, and the 22 colored Baptist churches and their 8,000 members, and the six Mexican Baptist churches and missions with their 750 members, and the Chinese Baptist Church with its nearly 100 members join in hearty chorus to welcome you to our fair and beautiful city.

The City of San Antonio with its corporate population of 253,954 and the metropolitan population of 319,000 and the Bexar County population of 338,176 join together in wishing you a pleasant visit with us. The mayor, Hon. C. K. Quinn, and his splendid staff of workers, the Chamber of Commerce with their sincere helpfulness joyfully wish you a pleasant stay here.

The greatest defense area in the United States with its more than 50,000 soldiers and more than 50,000 defense workers housed in nine army camps and posts, with the 3rd Army Headquarters, the 8th Corps Area and the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center join in asking you to help build the spiritual defenses of our nation.

All of this is to say to you that we are glad you are coming to San Antonio and that we are doing everything we can to make your stay pleasant and profitable.

### DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR FOR MAY

Evangelism.

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B. T. U. Secretary Visits Associations.

Y. W. A. Focus Week, 10-17.

Hospital Day, May 10.

Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio, 16f.

W. M. U. Annual Meeting, San Antonio, May 14f.

Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.

Emphasis on R. A. Camp.

Y. W. A. Focus Week, May 10-17.

Study, "The Way of Missionary Education," by Miss Mather.

Mother's Day Cash Offering for Orphanage, Second Sunday.

State B. S. U. Spring Retreat, May 1, 2, Legion Park, Louisville, Miss.

Ridgecrest Reservations for B. S. U. Week.

Rev. Luther Jenkins Holcomb has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Durant, Oklahoma, and has accepted the pastorate of the Temple Baptist Church in Washington, D. C. Pastor Holcomb is now engaged in a special series of services with the First Baptist Church in Abilene, Texas, where Dr. Millard A. Jenkins is now in his twenty-seventh year as pastor. Holcomb will go directly from this engagement to Washington.

WANTED: The names of deacons who have served for twenty or more years.—The Baptist Record.

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

### "DEFICIENT IN LOVE"

One of the "sins of the saints" is that all too many of them are deficient in love. They expect a lot of their fellow Christians in the way of personal consideration, but bestow very little themselves. They are eager to be shown courtesies but lack a spirit of reciprocity which gives it in return to others. They judge severely but want their own short-comings to be dealt with lightly.

One of the true marks of a Christian is his love for his neighbor. Those whose hearts function under the impulse of a true Christian motive are people whose attitude is filled with kindness, courtesy, and a gracious regard for their fellow Christians. The lives of our churches would be much enriched, if a spirit of true Christian fellowship prevailed in the relation of our members one with another. Not infrequently we have members who carry a positive dislike for some or several of their fellow church members. We have known some zealous church members who carry bitterness in their hearts.

One of the things a saint cannot do and remain a saint is to be deficient in love of the brethren who compose his church.

—BR—

### THE GREAT DELUSION SUGAR HOARDING AND RATIONING

The newspapers recently featured the "patriotic" offer of the distilling industry to "voluntarily forego further production of whiskey in the interests of the war effort" and to convert its plants 100 per cent to the production of industrial alcohol. The Office of Production Management (OPM) in Washington had proposed only a 60 per cent conversion. In thus offering 100 per cent conversion the liquor industry is credited with a magnificent gesture of "patriotism." Moreover, grain is less to be used instead of molasses in distilling the industrial alcohol. This substitution, it is said, will free 1,000,000 tons of sugar to relieve the present shortage of sugar which is about to be rationed to the American family consumer.

Let high praise for patriotism be given where praise is due; but in the interests of accuracy let it also be recorded that the Office of Production Management (OPM) reported more than five years' normal supply of whiskey in storage! Even if the war lasts five years there will still be enough whiskey to satisfy America's thirst. And apparently that whiskey was made from sugar!

Who bought and hoarded that sugar?

Any American household with more than two pounds of sugar per person in his home is stigmatized as having been hoarding and is not allowed to use his sugar ration stamps until his modest supply is consumed. Yet the powerful liquor industry was permitted to buy and store enough sugar to produce five year's supply of whiskey. — (Missions)

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### SOUTHERN BAPTIST SEMINARY BREAKFAST

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary announces its annual alumni meeting at San Antonio in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention. The alumni and friends of the Seminary will meet for breakfast at 7 o'clock on the morning of Tuesday, May 19, at the St. Anthony Hotel. Tickets will be on sale in the Seminary booth in the Exhibit Room of the Convention all day Monday. The alumni meeting will center around a new Kodachrome motion picture of Seminary life. It is said to be the best that the Seminary has produced to date.

There will be an address by an outstanding alumnus, and a word from "Old Tiglath" himself.

—BR—

WANTED: The names of Sunday School superintendents who have served for twenty years or more.—The Baptist Record.

WANTED: The names of Sunday Schools that have been STANDARD for ten or more consecutive years.—The Baptist Record.



# Baptist Training Union

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## Kemper Reorganizes

At a meeting of the Association Thursday evening, April 16th, at DeKalb new officers were elected at the Associational Training Union. Mrs. Annie Mae Kavanaugh of Scooba was elected director, Miss Brownie Long of DeKalb was chosen as Secretary and Brother J. M. Cook of Scooba became pastor-advisor. The meeting had been called by Brother Cook, at the request of State Secretary Wilds, and a splendid attendance from six churches enjoyed a good supper provided by the DeKalb ladies, and a good program of music, with the state secretary bringing a message on Training Union work. Definite plans were made for the summer and Kemper County faces a new day in Training Union work.

## Neshoba Co. Monthly Associational B. T. U. Meeting Makes New High In Interest and Plans

On Monday evening (they have all of their meetings Monday evening following the second Sunday in each month), April 13, 132 individuals from seven churches in Neshoba County met for a helpful program, followed by a meeting of the executive committee. Linwood and Neshoba both deserve special mention for the large crowds they brought. Special music by several of the churches added much to the interest of the program. Brother E. O. Sellers of B. B. I., New Orleans, was there and taught the group a new chorus, sang a solo, and made a talk in the interest of the relief fund being sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board. After the talk a collection was taken and more than \$65.00 was given to the cause. Brother F. G. Wilborn, the Associational Director, met with his officers following the general meeting, planning work for the coming months. An extension program looking to the reaching of the goals set for the year has been planned which, when executed, will set the work in Neshoba forward in a fine way. Mr. Wilborn, in discussing the monthly meetings said, "The people like to come, and we provide a program that will be interesting and helpful for them."

Twenty-four new unions were organized in March: four Story Hours, five Junior, five Intermediate, four Young People, and six Adult.

We issued 1,052 Study Course Awards during the month of March. April's report will give us a much larger number as many of the study courses taught in March were reported the first of April. Thank you for falling in line with the general program. We know that it is not always possible for a church to observe

a certain week or month, so come on, have your study course in May, then again in the fall, if you can have only two a year.

## Lafayette Co. Has Elimination Contest

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Lafayette County Associational B. T. U. held at the New Prospect Church, Sunday-afternoon, April 12, the elimination contest was held and representatives chosen for the District Convention to be held in July. Those attending the meeting were thrilled with the program as the young people told Bible stories, quoted Bible verses, demonstrated Sword Drills, and spoke on the theme "The Growing Christian." A. T. Woodruff, Associational Director presided. The next meeting of the association will be Sunday afternoon, May 10, at Clear Creek Church, at which Sunday school work will be given prominence.

**Two New Church Libraries in March**  
Congratulations to Gum Grove Church, Lincoln County, and Richton Church, Perry County, on their new venture. Church libraries have been installed in both of these churches. Miss Zula Keen is the librarian of Gum Grove, and Mrs. C. L. Henderson of the Richton church. Good librarians mean good libraries, and in each case here we feel that good librarians have been chosen.

## Pastor Berryhill Promotes Study Courses in All Churches Pastored By Him

"Study to show thyself approved of God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." Brother J. I. Berryhill believes Paul meant what he said when he wrote that verse, and so he is seeking to carry it out in letter and in spirit as he leads his people in a program of study. A good study course at Furrs has just been completed, as has one at Belden.

## Tunica Elects Director

Because of the moving from town of Mrs. Fred Hand, the Tunica church found it necessary to elect another director. Mr. J. C. Shanks was the one chosen for the place. Mrs. Shanks was already the general secretary, and together with her husband make a good Training Union team. They have recently completed a good Training School. The school included the Story Hour with Miss Vera McCain the Story Hour leader, coming each night and conducting a program for these children. The Junior class was taught by Miss Frances Kimbriel, the Young People by Pastor D. S. Sturgis, and the Adults by Mrs. J. C. Shanks. The Training Union has had an enrollment of 83 for the quarter. Congratulations, Tunica.

Greene County elects Rev. Aubrey Smith as Associational Training Union director. Brother Smith succeeds Miss Irene Turner, who is attending school at Mississippi College

## MISSISSIPPI CHAPLAIN WANTS RECORD

The Baptist Record,  
East Capitol Street,  
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Sir:

I would like for you to enter my name on your subscription list of The Baptist Record. I would like to keep up with the Mississippi Baptist work while I am in the Army of the United States.

I am a Mississippi Baptist. I entered service on March 4, 1942, leaving the little town of Summit. I went first to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, near Indianapolis. On the 10th of March, I left there for Camp Barkeley, Texas, near Abilene. I am stationed with the 359th Infantry Regiment. There are several men here who are from Mississippi. Lt. Col. B. B. Wilkes, the 1st battalion commander, is originally from Mississippi and a Baptist.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am  
Sincerely yours,  
WILLIAM HILTON HEWITT,  
Chaplain, 1st Lt.

359th Inf. 90th Division,  
Camp Barkeley, Texas.  
April 8, 1942.

—BR—

Dr. B. B. Hall, at present pastor at Rolling Fork, becomes pastor at Woodville on May 1.

and found it necessary to resign. This is not a new work for Brother Smith as he served in that capacity once before in the same county, and all know that he is an able leader, and will no doubt promote a progressive program.

Miss Velma Beacham, director of Jones County Associational Training Union, was transferred to Alabama for a short time, but is back in Laurel and is taking up her duties as director again. She reports a very helpful "combination" meeting at Ovette in April. It was the regular meeting, but after the general meeting the group was divided into several smaller groups and the Associational Department leaders held conferences with their special departmental workers. Seven pastors were in attendance at the meeting which bespeaks their interest and cooperation.

## Fayette Organizes Adult Union

As the result of the Training School recent held by the Fayette church an Adult Union was organized. Mrs. J. C. Greenoe of Vicksburg taught the B. A. U. Manual and led in the organization. Mrs. H. L. Byrd, wife of the pastor, taught the Intermediate class, and Mrs. John Pahnka taught the Juniors. We are glad to have this good report from Fayette. Miss Moline Cargile is the capable director.

## MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST STUDENT UNION SPRING RETREAT

Baptist students from practically every college in our state will gather on May 1st and 2nd for the 1942 Spring Retreat. The retreat is to be held this year, as heretofore, at the Legion State Park, Louisville, Mississippi. The theme for the retreat is, "Ye Are the Light of the World." Inspirational messages and an added emphasis on Methods will feature the program. We trust that we shall have the prayers of Mississippi Baptists as we meet to plan BSU work for 1942-43. A copy of the retreat program is given below:

### Friday Afternoon

3:00—Singing His Praises.  
3:10—Devotional.  
3:20—Welcome—Rev. W. L. Day.  
Response—State President.  
3:40—BSU FOLLOW THROUGH.  
**Friday Evening**  
5:45—Supper.  
6:15—Recreation.  
7:15—Songs from the Heart.  
7:25—Devotional.  
7:35—BSU Methods—Duties of Officers—Mr. T. C. Clark.  
9:00—Selection of Prayermates.  
9:15—Campfire Service.  
"Lord, Illumine Me"—Dr. Claude Bowen.  
11:00—Taps.

### Saturday Morning

6:30—Reveille.  
7:00—Morning Watch, "My Peace I Give Unto You"—Miss Elizabeth Williams.  
7:30—Breakfast.  
8:15—Songs in the Morning.  
8:25—Devotional.  
8:35—BSU Methods—Committees—Mr. T. C. Clark.  
9:45—Recess.  
10:00—BSU FOLLOW THROUGH.  
BSU Evangelism—D. A. (Scotch) McCall.  
Summer Work—Miss Opal McMullin.  
10:30—Officers' Clinic.  
12:00—Lunch.

### Saturday Afternoon

1:00—Recreation.  
1:45—Singing His Story.  
1:55—Two Big Events:  
(1) Ridgecrest.  
(2) All-Southern Conference.  
2:25—Final Check-up and Announcements.  
2:30—Special Music.  
2:35—Address: "Let Your Light So Shine"—Rev. J. L. Sullivan.  
3:05—Closing Prayer and Meditation.  
3:10—See You at RIDGECREST!

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By  
HIGHT C. MOORE

Lesson For May 3, 1942

SUNDAY: THE DAY OF ACCLAIM

Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:41-44

On Friday afternoon before His crucifixion Jesus, with His disciples, arrived at Bethany, having come up that day afoot from Jericho over the steep and rocky road which in fifteen miles makes a climb of 3,000 feet. The Jewish sabbath began at sunset and was doubtless spent quietly in the home of Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. After sunset on Saturday, Jesus was given the supper during which He was anointed by Mary in preparation for His burial. On Sunday morning He made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, thus presenting Himself to His people as their Messiah in exact and impressive fulfillment of prophecy.

### Lesson Text and Outline

#### I. Entering Into Jerusalem (Mark 11).

1. And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth two of His disciples, 2 and saith unto them, Go your way into the village that is over against you: and straightway as ye enter into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat; loose him, and bring him. 3 And if any one say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye, The Lord hath need of him; and straightway he will send him back hither. 4 And they went away and found a colt tied at the door without in the open street; and they loose him. 5 And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt? 6 And they said unto them even as Jesus had said: and they let them go. 7 And they bring the colt unto Jesus, and cast on him their garments; and he sat upon him. 8 And many spread their garments upon the way; and others branches, which they had cut from the fields. 9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: 10 Blessed is the kingdom that cometh, the kingdom of our father David: Hosanna in the highest.

11 And He entered into Jerusalem, into the temple; and when He had looked round about upon all things, it being now eventide, He went out unto Bethany with the twelve.

#### II. Weeping Over Jerusalem (Luke 19).

41 And when He drew nigh, He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, If thou hadst known in this day, even thou, the things which belong unto peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. 43 For the days shall come upon thee, when thine enemies shall cast up a bank about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, 44 and shall dash thee to the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

### Notes Analytical and Expository

1. The Presentation of Christ as King was effected by His triumphal entry into Jerusalem. (1) The place was the road from Bethany to Jerusalem, the village of Bethphage lying

across a ravine from the road over the Mount of Olives. (2) The purpose was not an ordinary visit, but the graphic and final presentation of Jesus to His people as their King. (3) The preparation involved securing from Bethphage a colt and its mother, owned probably by a disciple and borrowed for but a few hours, so that He might ride into the city as the Jews were expecting the Messiah to do. (4) The prophecies of Isaiah and Zachariah were thus fulfilled; for not upon a fiery steed, animal of display and of war, but upon an ass, animal of work and peace and of the common people, would the Prince of Peace ride forth to receive the plaudits of men. (5) The procession started with Jesus on the garment-saddled, unriden colt and gained momentum as it moved cityward, the multitudes strewing garments and palm branches in the way. (6) The praise that rose from the throng, increasing with every step, took form in rhythmic chant of Hosanna and response of beatitude. (7) The Pharisees (says Luke) demanded that Jesus rebuke the crowd, but He refused and rode on in triumph. (8) The prediction of Jerusalem's fall was then made by the weeping Saviour, as Luke also records. (9) The people of the city were struck as by storm when Jesus and the shouting crowds came in, perhaps through the Golden Gate, and Jesus was pointed out as the Prophet of Galilee. (10) The presentation in the Temple courts gave the nation one more chance to accept him as Messiah. Thus He came into His own; but alas, they received Him not.

2. The Prediction of Christ as King was made during the triumphal entry. The critical Pharisees protested against the praise of the multitude and asked Jesus to stop it. But He refused, declaring that if the crowds were silenced the very stones would speak. It may have been at a turn in the road over Olivet where they first beheld, across the Kidron Valley, the city in its splendor that Jesus, foreseeing its fate in A. D. 70 at the hands of Titus, wept aloud over Jerusalem as He had wept at the grave of Lazarus. He knew the cause of it all—how it sinned against God, refusing the light, rejecting the Messiah, and was insensitive to its day of visitation from Him. And He saw how the Romans would besiege the city, circling it with a rampart, leveling it to the ground, killing its people, and leaving it utterly desolate. No wonder He wept!

### The Lesson of the Lesson Accept and Acclaim Christ Our King

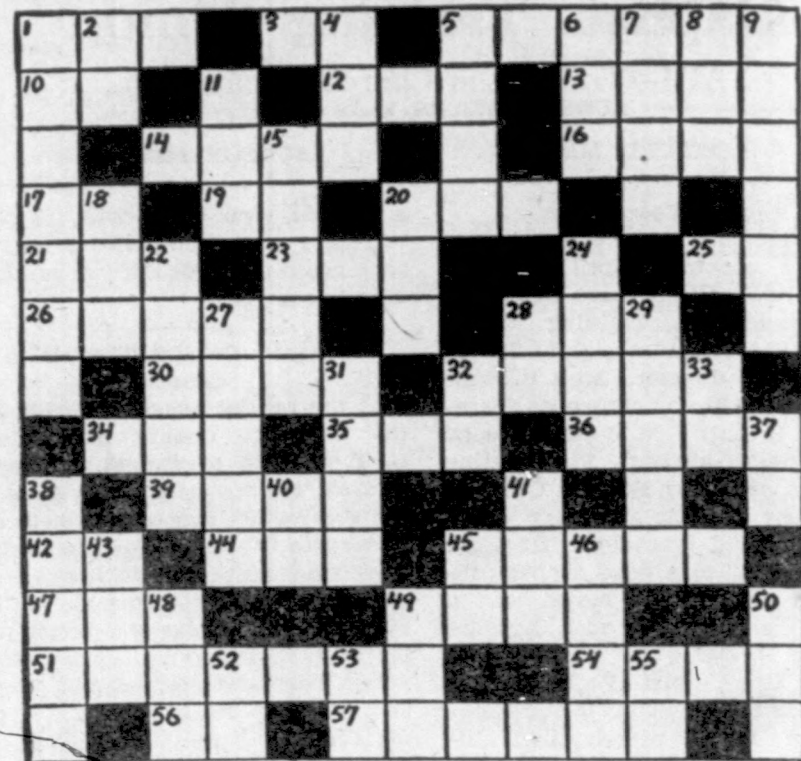
(1) The King Approaching. "They draw nigh." He is King. He approaches each of us. Are we ready to receive Him? Is He welcome to the

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### ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you."—John 15:14.

### THE JEWS HORIZONTAL

- "... the children of the kingdom shall be cast into outer darkness," Matt. 8:12.
- "Why ... ye about to kill me," John 7:19.
- "Yea ... blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it," Luke 11:28.
- Plural ending of nouns.
- National Recovery Administration.
- "If God ... Father, ye would love me," John 8:42.
- "many shall ... from the east and west," Matt. 8:11.
- "wherein shall go no galley with ...," Isa. 33:21.
- "For John came unto you ... the way of righteousness," Matt. 21:32.
- "then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered ... the Jews," John 18:36.
- "Let ... children first be filled," Mark 7:27.
- Ever (cont.)
- "but now ye say, We ...; therefore your sin remaineth," John 9:14.
- "And if he shall come in the second watch, ... come in the third watch," Luke 12:38.
- "Ye have neither heard his ... at any time, nor seen his shape," John 5:37.
- "this ... not Abraham," John 8:40.
- "I am not sent but unto the ... sheep of the house of Israel," Matt. 15:24.
- "But ye believe not, because ye are not of my ...," John 10:26.
- Revelation.
- "and shall be led away captive into ... nations," Luke 21:24.
- "I know that ye are Abraham's ...," John 8:37.
- "but ye ... to kill me, because my word hath no place in you," John 8:37.
- "for salvation is ... the Jews," John 4:22.
- "and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the ... kingdom of heaven," Matt. 8:11.
- "And he shall reign over the ... of Jacob for ever," Luke 1:33.
- Religion.
- "ye say, It will be ... weather: for the sky is red," Matt. 16:2.
- "and none of you ... the law," John 7:19.
- "Did not Moses ... you the law," John 7:19.
- "there shall be weeping and gnashing ... teeth," Matt. 8:12.
- "Art thou a master of ... and knowest not these things," John 3:10.

Our text is 1, 3, 5, 19, 20, 30, 32, 42, 44, 45, 56 and 57 combined.

### VERTICAL

- If I tell you, ye will not ...," Luke 22:67.
- "For he that is not against ... is on our part," Mark 9:40.
- "there is ... that accuseth you, even Moses in whole ye trust," John 5:45.
- "Be not ... with thy mouth," Eccl. 5:2.
- "No man can serve ... masters," Matt. 6:24.
- "ye therefore ... them not, because ye are not of God," John 8:47.
- "Ye do ... not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God," Matt. 22:29.
- "and in the temple, whither the Jews always ...," John 18:20.
- "And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me ...," John 8:45.
- Jewish law-giver.
- Combining form used in science, meaning new.
- Thrice.
- Vexes.
- "but the mouth of them that speak ... shall be stopped," Ps. 63:11.
- "But ... earnestly the best gifts," I Cor. 12:31.
- Deadhead.
- "Ye do the ... of your Father," John 8:41.
- "for it is not meet to ... the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs," Mark 7:27.
- Solicitor at law.
- Word before verse 129 of the 119th Psalm; pelopium.
- "and the lusts of your father ye will ...," John 8:44.
- "If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the ... of Abraham," John 8:39.
- Exclamation of inquiry.
- King of Hamath in the days of David, II Sam. 8:9.
- Compensation for services.
- "He saith among the trumpets, ...," Job 39:25.
- "the scribes and the Pharisees began to ... him vehemently," Luke 11:53.
- Lion.
- Fellow of the Horticultural Society.
- "And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor ... me go," Luke 22:68.
- Perfect.
- Titanium.
- He (Fr.).

—BR—

Mr. and Mrs. Layman: IF you have never witnessed an impressive Cradle Roll Day service, will you not lend your support to the occasion this year? It will inspire you and make you conscious of your responsibility to help safeguard these little ones.



## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### Pascagoula Mission Becomes Second Baptist Church

The first Sunday in April, 1940, a Mission Sunday School was organized in a garage apartment on Short Columbus Drive. The building was donated



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by A. B. Crane. The mission was named "Crane Memorial Mission." This work was promoted by workers of the First Baptist Church. A. B. Crane was elected and still is superintendent of the Sunday School. J. L. Reeves and myself (J. L. Morgan) were elected to serve in taking care of the preaching ser-

vices each Sunday, and also to teach in the Sunday School. The attendance the first three months averaged nine, besides teachers and officers.

Soon a church building was needed. A lot was secured on Henry Avenue and the building was ready to be used May 1, 1941. Less than two years from the time the mission began, the church was organized with a charter membership of fifty-four members. This (church organization) was completed Dec. 28, 1941, at which time the mission became the "Second Baptist Church."

Our membership has increased from 54 to 106 since the first of the year, less than four months.

Our average attendance in Sunday School is about 110; B. T. U., 56.

We are now in the midst of a building program. When completed, the building over all will be 40 feet by 80 feet; auditorium 24 feet by 57 feet; eleven class rooms and also pastor's study and church office.

This church is sponsoring a mission in Gautier, which was begun six weeks ago. The average attendance for this six weeks is 45.

Brother J. L. Reeves, who has done a wonderful work in our present church since it began as a mission two years ago, is superintendent of the Sunday School at Gautier, and is also mission pastor. We hope to help organize a church there in the near future.—J. L. Morgan, pastor.

(Note—Most of the members of this church came from the First Church, Pascagoula, and as that church had the EF Plan, they promptly adopted it. In fact, they did so before we could see the pastor and suggest that they do so.—Editor.)

### Laurel

One of the most largely attended of the Pastors' and Deacons' Conferences was the one at Laurel. The brethren came from far and wide. After a well-planned program, the brethren adjourned to the Dorris Cafe where Deacon Flood had prepared one of his usual good lunches. The brethren were interested and asked many questions about the various phases of the work. Secretary McCall and the writer answered all we could and in case we did not know the answer, we just told the truth.

Jones County is one of our best Baptist Record counties and now has Baptist Record readers as follows: Ellisville 105, South Laurel 2, Second Avenue Laurel 75, Laurel First 501, West Laurel 186, Moselle 25, Sand Hill 12, Soso 5, Harmony 50, Pine Grove 37, Summerland 47, Mt. Oral 37, Myrick 22,

### CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

#### Called And Accepted

Don Beltz, First Church, Leflors, Texas.  
V. E. Boyd, Calvary, Portales, New Mexico.  
J. D. Brown, First, Hackberry, La.  
J. R. Breland, Pilgrim's Rest, Church Point, La.  
Charles M. Bruner, First, Trenton, Fla.  
J. Roy Clifford, Temple Baptist Church, Wilmington, Va.  
C. C. Carraway, Boyles, Miss.  
Fred M. DeBerry, Tyrone, Okla.  
Paul Forsythe, Booneville, N. C.  
W. E. Fountain, West Tenth Street Church, Oklahoma City.  
L. M. Gray, Philadelphia, Phenix City, Ala.  
R. N. Hackley, Shiloh, Robertsville, Mo.  
Thomas B. Hart, First, South Gate, Calif.

#### RESIGNED

Ray Ames, Kuna, Olka.  
Don Bletz, Thomas, Okla.  
C. C. Carraway, Arcola, Miss.  
Ira C. Cole, Highland Heights, Memphis, Tenn.  
J. C. Fowler, Garber, Okla.  
R. N. Hackley, Union, Mo.

#### DIED

Lorenz D. Bassett, Louin, Miss.  
T. M. Fleming, Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian, Miss.  
Henry Allen Tupper, Richmond, Va.

—BR—

**NEWTON**—Yesterday closed the fifth year of my pastorate here. Sunday School attendance was 245, B. T. U., 88. There was one addition by letter and 14 were baptized. There were 317 additions by letter during the five years, and 136 baptized. The people have been kind, gracious, and cooperative, and the years have been happy ones for the pastor.—R. A. Morris.

**Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, will have a School of Missions, May 4-8.** Rev. John Allen Moore will teach "Believers and Builders in Europe" to the men and boys, while Mrs. Moore will teach "Modern Macedonia" to the women and girls. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Fellowship Church, Jasper County Association,** has just completed repainting its building, making pastor and people happy. Too, by recent action of the church The Baptist Record is going into every home in the Community.—J. Hardee Kennedy.

**Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office** include the following: Mrs. L. R. Williams, Jackson; Mrs. J. B. Cox, Jackson; Rev. Herman Milner, Clinton; Jeff Kent, Forest; Dr. O. A. Eure and son, Union Church; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Rev. Billie Watson, Clinton; Rev. R. R. Brigrance, Mt. Olive; Rev. D. W. Moulder, Forest; Rev. J. B. Parker, Ripley; Louis P. Cashman, Vicksburg; P. L. Barclift, Vicksburg; Mrs. J. P. Harrington, Jackson; Rev. W. L. McKay, Van Winkle.

**WEIR: Dr. Slater M. Murphy has promised Pastor Laney** his services in the coming revival campaign at Weir, July 19-24. Pastor Laney and the Weir church rejoice in his coming, and are praying for a great outpouring of God's power.

**Rev. John B. Laney goes as evangelist to Hebron** in Yazoo County, and Pleasant Ridge in Attala for the second consecutive year. Brothers Leroy Bolland and F. A. Lummus are the esteemed pastors.

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### Hattiesburg

Dr. J. A. Barnhill was kind enough to make preparations for the Hattiesburg meeting. He certainly picked a good place. While there we had the privilege of seeing the new Main Street Baptist church building. If there is such a thing as righteous covetousness it would be permissible when seeing their new building.

The brethren came from Hattiesburg and several towns around about. All reported progress in their work.

Forrest County now has Record readers listed as follows: Brooklyn 1, Calvary 13, Eastabutchie 1, Glendale 41, Hattiesburg First 522, Hattiesburg 28th Avenue 55, Immanuel 1, River Avenue, Hattiesburg 44, Hattiesburg Miscellaneous 12, Hattiesburg Main Street 376, McLaurin 11, Macedonia 15, Providence 1, Hattiesburg Route 3 1, Hattiesburg 5th Avenue 106; Zion Hill 46, Mars Hill 10.

### SCENE AT THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE



Glen Oglesby and Tom Marshall, two of the fine boys at the Orphanage engaged in their daily duty.

The Baptist Convention during their annual meeting last November approved two special offerings for the Baptist Orphanage—Mother's Day, May 10th, and Thanksgiving Day, November 26th. The Committee on Review of Social Service Report brought in the following recommendation, we recommend: "That special emphasis be placed on the Thanksgiving and Mother's Day offerings for the Orphanage. Not only should we give more supplies than ever, but there is an unusually pressing need for a liberal cash offering."

We appeal to the Sunday schools, missionary societies, churches with all departments of their organized work to do their best on Mother's Day as the lean summer months lie ahead. Especially will funds be needed for general support and the Orphanage officials are hopeful that the building program may be continued by getting approval on certain materials that have been restricted.

To make a liberal contribution to the needy children at the Baptist Orphanage is a fine way to honor one's mother. There is no finer way.

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"The mother stands in the foreground as the guardian angel of the home. She is the dominant figure in the home life. Her personality, her pervading presence, constitute a force for good not to be shown in cold type or weighed in earthly balances. When one mentions motherhood, one spells that which is divine, that which, beginning with sacrifice, ends in coronation."—Margaret C. Sangster. Think of the matrons of the Baptist Orphanage who are substitute mothers for the many boys and girls committed to their care.

Let's all put forth a special effort for a liberal Mother's Day offering for the children of the Baptist Orphanage.

—BR—

### NOTES CONCERNING MT. ORAL IN THE SUBURBS OF LAUREL

We are glad to report that the work is progressing reasonably well at Mt. Oral Church. There has been a good response to the special calls in addition to the regular contributions through the Cooperative Program. The attendance at Sunday School last Sunday was the equivalent of the resident membership. The young people are to have direction of the church activities for the third Sunday in May and the week following. Our Vacation Bible school and protracted meeting will be conducted during the first two weeks in June. Brother W. L. Meadows is to do the preaching during the meeting. Our people read with interest the reports from other fields and are thereby urged to better service and living.

BRYAN SIMMONS, Pastor.



## Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley, Director  
Soldiers Service and Defense Projects

**COLUMBUS**—Kaye Field Post Chapel. The Baptists held their initial religious program Tuesday evening, April 14. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth My words and believeth . . ."—John 5:24.

**GULFPORT**—The First Baptist Church continues to hold open house from 7 to 10 o'clock each Saturday evening. Soldier attendance is good. The men from nearby Keesler Field, Biloxi, and Camp Shelby on week-end furloughs find real Christian fellowship and Southern hospitality here.

**HATTIESBURG**—A member of the Ohio Baptist Convention, now serving as Chaplain for the 139th Field Artillery, 38th Division, A. H. Guiliano, conducted services in the First Baptist Church on a recent Sunday in the absence of Dr. Thomas Brown, Pastor. "The Man Who Went Away" was the subject of his evening message. Soldiers filled the choir and rendered special musical numbers.—The First Baptist Church Builder.

**Camp Shelby** men and members of the First Baptist Church held their first outdoor fellowship hour Sunday, April 19, on the church court which is located between the main auditorium and the new educational building. A weiner roast was planned for Saturday, April 25. Mrs. D. C. Ware, supervisor of the weekly activities is rendering a fine Christian service to the Shelby men and her church. "Religion does not censure or exclude Unnumbered pleasures harmlessly pursued."

—Cowper (English poet 1731-1800).

**McLAURIN**—The Baptist Church here is located just on the Southern border of Camp Shelby. Here also live a number of soldiers' families. Rev. M. E. (Otis) Perry, Baptist State Evangelist, preached every night, Saturday through Friday.

"The churches here are most anxious for the soldiers to attend their services and are doing everything they know how to make the soldiers feel at home."—From an editorial, Greenville Post, official journal of the Greenville Army Flying School.

**KEESLER FIELD**—The Air Corps Technical School is pledging to keep American war planes roaring until the enemy is driven from the skies. The fifth class of aviation mechanics were given diplomas a few days ago. In this group were men from all forty-eight states. The largest, New York, was the home state of sixty-six men, while far away California boasted sixty-five, with Pennsylvania claiming forty-nine. The strength of youth is numbered in the tens of thousands here and Miss-Elizabeth Pickering, full-time hostess of the First Baptist Church, Biloxi, has a seven-day week job, that never seems to end, day or night. As she works, she plans and as she plans she prays and as she prays she wins **YOUTH TO HER CHRIST**. "... now is the day of salvation." II Corinthians 6:2.

Set aside for the duration is a ten-year rule governing men in the Navy and Marine Corps from marrying within two years after receiving a commission.

**Sabbath sabotage**—Religious leaders in Pennsylvania and Indiana have protested to promoters who scheduled the Lord's Day to begin some kind of defense campaign and have won out in both states. This is not in the so-called Bible Belt. Christians everywhere, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Exodus 20:8.

All over Europe, peasants and townfolks who are starving, driven, beaten and enslaved repeat to each other one thing, "America will feed us after the war." From a New York Times correspondent, "It is written that man shall not live by bread

### AN OPEN LETTER TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

To the Executive Committee  
of the Southern Baptist Convention  
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Brethren:

Recommendation No. 12 in your last year's report contains the following sentences: "That the Southern Baptist Convention convene on Saturday morning and close at its discretion." "We recommend that the Southern Baptist Convention adopt this plan for 1942 as an experiment."

One cannot predict beforehand just what the result of an experiment may be. There are certain obvious facts, however, to which attention may be called.

The total number of messengers enrolled at the 1941 Convention was approximately 6,000. I think it is fair to assume that at least one-third of this group were pastors. This would mean that for these messengers to attend all the sessions of the 1942 Convention, two thousand of the pulpits of our Southland would be vacated for one Sunday. One faces the question of what compensation there is in a week-end Convention which would outweigh this taking away from their churches of so large a number of our pastors.

It is true that the people within 100 miles of the Convention city can attend a Sunday program in larger numbers than they can a week-day program; but there is no reason why a Sunday program could not be provided under the auspices either of the W. M. U. or of the Baptist Brotherhood. This would meet the local need.

If there could be an established rule that the Convention meet on Tuesday morning and adjourn on Friday, every pastor would be able to be in his own pulpit on Sunday, and attend all the sessions of the Convention.

Would it not be desirable to ask our W. M. U. and our Baptist Brotherhood to hold their meetings on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday preceding the Convention, thus permitting the Convention itself to hold its sessions at a time that will not interfere with the regular services of multiplied hundreds of our churches throughout the territory of the Convention?

Faternally yours,

RYLAND KNIGHT, Pastor,  
Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church,  
Atlanta, Georgia.

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### BLUE MOUNTAIN GIRLS ELECT OFFICERS

Blue Mountain, Miss.—Newly-elected officers of the Baptist Student Union of Blue Mountain College for next session are:

President, Ellen Edens, Sumter, S. C.; membership vice-president, Ruth Garcia, Buenos Aires; social vice-president, Joyce Farmer, Princeton, Ky.; devotional vice-president, Sara Wallis, Memphis, Tenn.; extension vice-president, Rebecca Williams, Utica; secretary, Margaret Wiggs, Nashville, Tenn.; treasurer, Willie Mae Pugh, Memphis, Tenn.; Sunday school superintendent, Mary Jo Clark, Brookhaven; Training Union director, Miriam Izard, Newhebron; Y. W. A. president, Jimmie Todd, Ellisville; chorister, Jennie Hill, Sumter, S. C.; pianist, Joyce Spell, Georgetown; reporter, Virginia Jenkins, Lucedale; class representative, Marjorie West, Sardis; faculty representative, Miss Ruby Talbot.

—BR—

**The Goodyear Baptist Brotherhood, Picayune**, has begun their services again for the summer. The meeting is held on the streets of the city every Saturday evening at 7:30. A loudspeaker, which was purchased by the Brotherhood, is used for the services. A. C. Runnels, president of the Brotherhood, presides over the meeting and usually the pastor, Rev. J. D. Griffin, does the preaching. Other pastors of the county are being asked to cooperate in the services and to speak from time to time. The purpose of the meeting is to encourage church attendance.

alone . . ." Luke 4:4. This is a scriptural reason why Mississippi Baptists should continue a debt reducing program. Pay NOW and be ready to send the Word of God when the last shot is fired.

## NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND  
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A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY \* LOYALTY \* VICTORY

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We do not have all that \$121,000 in hand for that June first call of bonds.

We have some in hand! We have some in sight! We need more of both!

We have faith in God, and faith in Mississippi Baptists.

We lean upon God!

We count upon YOU to help put V-ictory into this thing!

Your prayers and dollars will do it! Act NOW!

II

We expect to have two copies of the Now Club Victory Book. One will be kept at this office. The other will be deposited with other Baptist materials in the Mississippi College library. We expect to have one of the books at the Convention and some of the associations.

It is not too late for you to participate in the Now Club.

III

Two laymen, in a recent meeting, statewide in scope, led the assault on procrastination and indifference regarding the Now Club. The laymen were Messrs. W. D. Cole, Philadelphia, and Owen Cooper, Jackson.

They cried out against the "do-nothing" spirit evidenced in some places. They spoke against changing Now Club plans in any part. They pleaded for Mississippi Baptists to complete that they began. II Corinthians, chapters eight and nine.

IV

One man has given \$6,000 to the Now Club. His family shares in this work of grace. We would not be surprised at this figure reaching \$10,000. He lives in East Mississippi.

One woman has given \$3,500 to the Now Club. She lives in West Mississippi. She will give more. These are outstanding Christian characters.

May their kind be multiplied!

Doxology!

V

On April 17, forty \$1,000 Now Club Certificates had been placed. That leaves ten remaining.

We have placed sixty-one of the \$500 Certificates, leaving thirty-nine yet to be placed.

We have placed seventy-four of the \$250 Certificates, leaving 126 to be placed.

We have placed 680 of the \$100 Certificates, leaving 320 to be placed.

We have placed 3,000 of the \$36 Certificates, leaving 3,333 yet to be placed.

There is yet room for ALL!

—BR—

Eighty new members, forty-six of whom were on profession of faith and for baptism, were added to the Highland Avenue Baptist Church, Montgomery, during the annual evangelistic campaign there April 5-19. Dr. Norman W. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss., and Rev. Homer F. Britton, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Florence, Ala., were the preacher and singer, respectively, except for the opening and closing Sundays. These two men of God individually and as a team performed their respective ministries superbly and tirelessly. In personalities, dispositions, and preaching and singing they measured up fully to a pastor's and a people's hearts' desire. The new converts were baptized in a special baptismal service Sunday night, April 26th, and all new members will be presented membership certificates in a special Lord's Supper induction service Sunday morning, May 3rd.—Chas. F. Leek, pastor.

—BR—

"Our church has contributed over \$100.00 a week to missions during the first 14 weeks. This is perhaps the best record the church has ever made in mission gifts."—Canton Baptist Church Bulletin.

Rev. Harry Beckman is to be with Dr. L. B. Cobb at Union in a revival meeting. After May 10 he has some open time.



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.  
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Vice-President—Mrs. John King, Clinton, Miss.

President—Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Miss.  
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Training School Trustee—Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Jackson, Miss.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, April 7, 1942 State W. M. U. Convention

"Then comes the end, when he hands over his royal power to God the Father, after putting down all other rules, all other authorities and powers. For he must reign until all his foes are put under his feet." After reading these words we realize that God is in His heavens and we must do our part to make it all right with the world. We must recognize this unspeakable war as a part of the age-long struggle for righteousness and that we have a contribution to make in giving expression to "the compassion of Christ" in a world of deepest need.

In our report we observe that the missionary zeal among our members has been increased rather than lessened by the war, as is shown in many ways.

The Standard of Excellence is our measuring rod for efficient work. A check on our local Standard reveals our strong points as well as our weak ones. I will have to report fewer A-1 W. M. S. this year than last. We have only 62 reporting all points on Standard reached. Last year was the first year the Standard included the point concerning tithing. We observed from the reports that most of the failures were on that point. There is a net increase in numbers of W. M. S. and in the number of full graded A-1 W. M. U's reported. They are as follows: Calvary, Jackson; Charleston; Clarksdale; Clinton; Crosby; Durant; East End, Columbus; Gulfport, First; Indianola; Jackson, First; Liberty; Meridian, First; Morgan City; New Albany; Sunflower; Tupelo, Calvary; Tupelo, First.

We had a small increase in organizations observing our Seasons of Prayer and a large increase in gifts to Home, State and Foreign Missions. We are showing a more equal interest in all missions, as you will see from the total gifts during Seasons of Prayer. Home Missions, \$13,843.95; State, \$12,716.33; Foreign, \$21,192.01.

We are recognizing more and more the importance of reporting quarterly. 86% of W. M. S. reported during the year but only 50 reported each quarter. Only one association has 100% record for reporting each quarter, and that was Winston County. A number of others lacked only one society failing one quarter.

It is the plan of Woman's Missionary Union of the South to take note of every W. M. S. in the South that makes the record of having every resident woman giving to missions during the year. This is to stimulate the grace of giving. The following W. M. S. reported as having attained that record in 1941:

Ackerman; Blue Mountain; Calhoun City; Center Ridge (Madison County); Center Terrace, Canton; DeSoto (Clarke County); Escatawpa; Grenada; Harmony (Jones); Hickory Grove (Lauderdale); Hopewell (Franklin); Houlika; Leaf River (Smith); Lexington; Logtown; Longtown (Panola); Louin; Ludlow; Memorial (Mississippi Asso.); Morrison Chapel (Bolivar); New Albany; New Hope (Lauderdale); Northside, Jackson; New Zion (Copiah); New Zion (Choctaw); Paynes; Pine Grove (Simpson); Pine Grove (Pearl River); Pleasant Grove (Marshall); Pocahontas; Poplarville; Quitman; Salem (Walthall); Siwell (Hinds).

Our district chairmen have the responsibility of apportioning and collecting the Training School Expense Fund and Training School Scholarships. We received \$2,387.29 for the calendar year of 1941. We also received \$1,030 that was paid back on Training School Scholarship loans by the following:

Mary Virginia Bennett Grubbs, Rowena Gunter Falwell, Frances Lippincott, Helen Cox Bruinooge, Ruth Kirk, Edna Ruth Rea, Hester Seal Overstreet.

An outstanding event last summer was the Negro Institute at Selma University in the interest of Southern Baptist Negro women and young people in Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia, each state be-

ing allotted 33 delegates. We lacked about three or four having our quota but it was heartening to see the earnestness with which these women attended each session. Their eagerness to learn was manifested by their participation in every session. This meeting had a very definite Home Mission emphasis.

We always look forward to the new year's visit with our women in the Institutes for the study of the Year Book. We were privileged to have Miss Wilma Bucy with us in our last meetings. She gave invaluable help in the discussion of methods from the standpoint of the Standard of Excellence and her visit accentuated our Home Mission interest previous to the Season of Prayer.

Last November, 193 associational officers met us in the eight clinics where we planned the work for the year. Five of these eight districts had all associations represented and district two had 100% of its associational officers present. These district and associational officers help largely in quickening the missionary zeal of our membership. We thank God upon every remembrance of them.

At our district meetings last May we were privileged to have Mrs. Eureka Whitaker as our guest speaker. She renewed our interest in personal service as well as many other phases of our organized work. There were many new women in attendance at these meetings and their enthusiasm was contagious.

We reached our Royal Service quota by 373 subscriptions in 1941. We believe the faithful study of our Missionary Topics theme, "Thy will be done on earth" as developed in our monthly programs in Royal Service, will stir us into active missionary service both at home and abroad as nothing else.

We are grateful to our heavenly Father for His continued blessings upon us; many of our records show progress, to each fellow helper connected in any way with our State, district, association or local officers, we wish to say "Thank you." We praise Him for the loyalty and faithfulness of every member of Woman's Missionary Union through these days of anxiety and trouble. A new eleventh chapter of Hebrews is being written in many lands today. These days of war are testing many of our missionaries to the utmost and they are proving faithful. Let us be as faithful and walk worthily of Him.

I am printing below some suggestions for Mother's Day that have come from the Recreation Project Department of the W. P. A. for our soldier boys in the state. I am confident many Christian women will avail themselves of the opportunity of being of service to some lonely soldier boy far away from his own mother.

#### Suggested Services

**Letters**—Write about your family, the town where you live, how people in your section of the state make a living, things of interest in your special section of the state, etc.

Invite the soldier to tell you about his family, the interesting place which he calls his home, what he did before he entered the army, etc.

Send postcard pictures of buildings or pretty scenes near your home. A kodak print of you, your family and your home might also be included.

Why not invite the soldier to bring a buddy and spend a week-end in your home with your family?

Perhaps you are too far removed from camp for him to visit you—invite him anyway and see what happens.

Send the letter from the family, if you wish.

**Packages**—Non-perishable food is always appreciated. Stationery, toilet articles, new current magazines, razor blades, etc., are useful.

Do not send clothing of any kind.

**Home Hospitality**—Write the supervisor of the Soldier Service Center, WPA, nearest your home telling her how many soldiers you would like to

have as week-end guests in your home for Mother's Day week-end. Give definite information, telling the exact location of your home, what time you wish the boys to arrive and how long you wish them to stay. Remember—we are in war and the boys might be called to alert and not be able to come, but their disappointment will be greater than yours.

**Hospital Service**—Flowers, packages, letters and cards sent especially for hospital distribution should be so marked.

Make all contacts with and through the people listed below. All letters and packages should be addressed to the Supervisors of the Soldier Service Centers, WPA, as designated below. These supervisors in turn will deliver all letters and packages to the chaplains of the nearby military area and the chaplains will have charge of distribution.

#### For Camp Shelby Service

Care—Mrs. Kathleen Galloway, Supervisor  
Soldier Service Center, WPA  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

#### For Keesler Air Field Service

Care—Mrs. Laura B. Moore, Supervisor,  
Soldier Service Center, WPA  
Biloxi, Mississippi.

#### For Key Air Field Service

Care—Mrs. Leonese Robinson, Supervisor  
Soldier Service Center, WPA  
Meridian, Mississippi.

#### For Jackson Air Base Service

Care—Mrs. Ada Longino, Supervisor  
Soldier Service Center, WPA  
City Auditorium  
Jackson, Mississippi.

#### For Greenville Air Base Service

Care—Mrs. Pinkie Nicholson, Supervisor  
Soldier Service Center, WPA  
Greenville, Mississippi.

#### For Kaye Air Field Service

Care—Miss Jane Terry, Supervisor in Charge  
Soldier Recreation, WPA  
Columbus, Mississippi.

Let's have at least two hundred and fifty thousand "Mother's Day" greetings from women of Mississippi to the soldiers located in our state on Sunday, May 10.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN M. KING, State Supervisor,  
WPA Recreation Project.

By: Ethel McCurry, Assistant State Supervisor,  
Consultant in Church Recreation Services for Soldiers.

Here are general plans for the Business Women's Conference at Ridgecrest, North Carolina:

**DATES**—August 8-14, First Southwide B. W. C. Conference.

**PROGRAM**—One hour each day devoted to discussion of B. W. C. plans, then meet the missionaries and enjoy the program plans by the Foreign Mission Board for that week.

**RATES**—\$1.75 in cabins; \$2.00 in Crystal Springs Lodge and Springdale Annex; \$2.25 in Rhododendron Hall; \$2.50 in Pritchell Hall; \$3.00 in Hillside Annex and Crestridge where all rooms have private baths. Rooms with private baths in Pritchell and Crystal Springs are \$3.00 also. All rates include meals.

—BR—

The W. M. U. of Salem Church, Walthall County, recently presented their church with a 124-piece Communion set.

**HOLLY SPRINGS**: The Lord blessed our church through the preaching of Dr. Gates. Eighty people signed the book, "We Believe God."

**HOLLY SPRINGS**: Total receipts for all causes in the first quarter of 1942 were \$2,870.80.



HISTORY OF EARLY MISSISSIPPI  
BAPTIST LIFE

(Continued from Page Five)

had married Phoebe Curtis, daughters of Richard Curtis, senior. We may safely presume that the elder Richard Curtis and his wife were also members of the same church, but of this we have no certain knowledge. Richard Curtis, junior, was at the time of which we write, a licensed preacher. While the family were constantly annoyed and imperiled by the horrors of the war at their very doors, their property nearly exhausted, and but little prospects of better days near at hand; and having heard much said about the salubrious climate, rich lands, exhaustless range and abundance of game in the far-off 'Natchez country,' and being oppressed in mind, as well as in their outward circumstances, they determined to seek a peaceful home far to the westward, quite beyond the vexations and dangers of the bloody war still in progress throughout the United Colonies. According, early in the spring of 1780, they mounted their wives and small children, with their scant supply of clothing, tools and furniture on pack-horses—the men traveling on foot, with their hunting apparatus to kill game by the way—and proceeded across the country to the Holston river in the northeastern corner of Tennessee, where they paused during the summer to build their boats and raise a crop of corn, preparatory to their descent by water to the 'Natchez country.' When the water had attained a sufficient depth for navigation, toward the close of the year, they, with other immigrant families, embarked their all of earthly substances on three large and well-built flat-boats, and committing themselves to the protection of God, started on their perilous journey." They turned their backs upon their early homes, and their faces to the setting sun, and the smiling north.

"It was, at best, a hazardous undertaking to descend the Holston, Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi rivers in such water craft as they were able to construct; but what made it doubly hazardous was the belligerent stand which the Cherokee Indians had taken against all immigration through their country. They often availed themselves of the narrows, shoals and sudden turns in the Holston and Tennessee rivers to attack immigrant boats. Our voyagers, being fully aware of that fact, went as well prepared for it as their limited resources would allow, and kept a constant watch for the approach of their stealthy foes. . . . For the sake of mutual protection these immigrants had agreed to float their three boats as near each other as they conveniently could. The foremost boat contained Richard Curtis, Sr., and his immediately family, including John Jones and family, and his own sons and daughters with their families. The second boat contained two brothers by the name of Daniel and William Ogden, and a man by the name of Perkins, with their families, most of whom were Baptists. There is no record of the names of those in the third boat. They seem to have fallen in with the other boats for the sake of protection in descending to Natchez. The voyagers in the last named boat had in some way contracted the smallpox, and, to prevent the contagion from spreading to the other boats, they were required to float a few hundred yards in the rear and to occupy a different landing at night. After floating unmolested for several days, the hostile savages espied the boats somewhere near the mouth of Clinch river, and fixed on a short bend in the Tennessee river, near the northwestern corner of Georgia, as the place of attack. Having to float near the shore to keep in the channel, the foremost boat was violently assailed by the lurking Cherokees. All hands on board commenced a vigorous and well-directed defense. That her husband might be released to use his rifle on the assailants, Mrs. Jones put her eldest son, William, then in his twelfth year, at the oar while she held a thick, poplar stool between him and the bullets, and it was well she did, for it was pierced by one

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST  
CONVENTION

(Continued from Page Two)

Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta in 1930.  
Briefs From the Book  
of Numbers

According to Dr. Whitsitt there were in 1845 about 350,000 members in our Southern churches, 100,000 of them slaves; so that 250,000 was the approximate number of white Baptists in the South when the Convention was organized.

The latest figures show that the Convention now embraces 25,259 churches with a total membership of 5,104,327. There are 24,222 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 3,590,374. The reported value of church property is \$221,974,479 and the aggregate contributions for the past year were \$40,359,038.

## The Widening World Field

When the Convention was organized in 1845, it was confined to the states south of the Potomac and Ohio and east of the Mississippi, two or three of them not being represented.

Today the Convention includes eighteen states and the District of Columbia. The states touching the northern border are Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, southern Illinois, Missouri, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona.

The past is glorious. The present is full of inspiration. The future is radiant with hope. "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

—BR—

H. D. BOOTH ORDAINED AT  
PHALTI

Sunday, April 19, 1942, at 2:30 p. m., at the request of Unity Baptist Church, Union Association, the Phalti Baptist Church examined and ordained Brother H. D. Booth to the full work of the gospel ministry. Dr. W. L. Holcomb led the examination. Pastor H. A. Hunderup brought the ordination sermon after which Brother W. L. Holcomb gave the charge. Following the charge and the laying on of hands, Brother R. M. Williams led the ordination prayer.

Brother Booth gave his experience of salvation and a call to the ministry in a most convincing and challenging way and was found to be doctrinally sound. Those of us who know Brother Booth best know him to be both talented and consecrated. Surely the Lord has a great work for him to do.

H. A. Hunderup.

of the leaden missiles. After the danger was all over, Mrs. Jones laughingly remarked that 'their guns were very weak, as they did not make a deep impression' on her stool. Another lady heroically took the steering oar from her husband that he might use his rifle on the foe, and with unfaltering courage, guided the boat until disabled by a wound. Hannah Courtney was grazed on the head by a rifle ball, and Jonathan Curtis was slightly wounded on the wrist, but, so far as known no life was lost. While the attention of the assailants was mainly directed to the first boat the second floated by unharmed."

The third boat was captured and everyone on it murdered except one lady, who was held as a captive until finally, by treaty, restored to her friends. But the Indians contracted smallpox from the infection on the boat and a number of them died from the plague, "which passed through their villages like the destroying angel"; and it is said that "their descendants have, to this day, a traditional horror of that terrible pestilence."

Those who escaped in the first two boats "pursued their dangerous way until they landed in safety at the mouth of Cole's Creek, about twenty miles above Natchez by land. To the eastward and southward of their place of debarkation they mainly made their first settlements in the country, within ten or twenty miles of the Mississippi river. For several years they had to endure many privations and hardships incident to a new country, but poorly supplied with even the necessities of life.—"Protestantism in Mississippi." pp. 22-26.

DR. BUCHANAN IS COMMENCEMENT  
SPEAKER

DR. JOHN H. BUCHANAN

Dr. John H. Buchanan, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., is to preach the commencement sermon for the combined graduating classes of Hillman and Mississippi Colleges and the Clinton High School on Sunday, May 24th.

Dr. Buchanan is an alumnus of Mississippi College and is one of the outstanding pastors in the Southern Baptist Convention. He has been heard over the radio as one of the speakers in the Baptist Hour. He married Miss Ruby Lowrey, daughter of Dr. W. T. Lowrey, former president of Hillman, Blue Mountain, and Mississippi Colleges.

—BR—

## SOLDIERS AND TEMPERANCE

In the mobilization of America's youthful strength, there are sinister forces working from within that will undermine physical power and efficiency far more than anything that could be concocted in the Wilhelmstrasse.

There is no one who will deny the high state of physical efficiency of the totalitarian armies. But did you know that one of the first things these undemocratic powers did was to enforce laws of temperance so that their accumulating reservoir of youthful energy would not be eaten into by alcohol erosion? Yet Christian democracies not only blindly continue to accept the primitive, unscientific premise that alcoholic indulgence is part of a soldier's training, but they allow a small group of traitorous citizens to promote an ever-increasing flow of alcohol into the nation's arteries for their own personal profit. Do you think that the promotion of boozemuddled brains in our bombers, tanks and submarines to face the cool-headed, sober, ruthless efficiency of totalitarian aggression is an attribute worthy of Christian democracy?

CHARLES A. WEBB.

—BR—

CANTON: More than seventy-five per cent of the members of the First Baptist Church of Canton, who reside in Madison County, contributed to the budget of the church during the first quarter.

SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY WILL  
GRADUATE ONE HUNDRED-NINE

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is making plans to graduate one hundred and nine Theology, Religious Education, and Sacred Music students at the end of the regular school term May 7, and 8 when Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor, First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, and Rev. Perry Crouch, secretary of Christian Education of North Carolina will give the graduating addresses to the students of the School of Theology and Religious Education respectively at that time, according to Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of the Seminary.

Fifty-seven students will receive degrees or diplomas from the School of Theology of the Seminary, forty-seven from the School of Religious Education, and three from the School of Sacred Music. One is receiving a combination degree from the Theology School and Religious Education School, and one is receiving a combination Music and Religious Education diploma. Dr. Scarborough will present the degrees.

At the same time the Schools of Religious Education and Theology announced the names of those selected to speak to represent the two schools. Rev. Lindell O. Harris of Campbell, Missouri, and a graduate of Baylor University, will speak for the Theology graduates; Mrs. J. W. Ousley, of Columbia, Missouri, has been selected by the faculty to speak for the Religious Education graduates. The exercises for the School of Religious Education will be held Thursday evening, May 7, and the School of Theology, Friday, May 8.

The School of Sacred Music will honor their graduates with the musical drama, "Ruth," written by Professor I. E. Reynolds, director of the Music Department of the Seminary, and Professor Edwin McNelley of the Music School. The musical drama has been announced for Tuesday evening, May 5.

The only Doctor's Degree to be given at this term will go to Edgar Hallock, Norman, Oklahoma, and at present educational director at Handley, Texas, who will receive the degree of Doctor of Religious Education.

Nineteen states are represented by the graduating students—Texas, Oklahoma, Florida, Georgia, Virginia, Kentucky, Louisiana, South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missouri, Washington, Ohio, California, Arizona and Iowa.

The students graduating from Mississippi and the degree received are: Doris Wilson, Master of Religious Education, Laurel and Rubie Allen Oliver, Master of Theology, Duck Hill.

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## → GRAY'S OINTMENT

IF MY PEOPLE, WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, SHALL



HUMBLE THEMSELVES, AND PRAY, AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; THEN WILL I HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN, AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND.

II CHRONICLES 7:14

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# ISN'T IT FUNNY

By W. G. Mize

Perhaps you, like myself, have heard it said many times, "You know, people have such funny ideas about how children live in an orphanage." Since coming to the Baptist Orphanage some six years ago I have learned from experience that the person or persons who have made such statements must have known what they were talking about. We try to be courteous always to those who go with us from place to place over our grounds. We try to answer seriously and sincerely all their questions. Often, though, we do find it necessary to refrain from smiling at some of the questions our visitors ask. We remember on one occasion when it was not convenient for some faculty member to show a group of visitors over our campus and through our buildings we called on one of our girls to accompany them and while she was showing them around, one of the group addressed her, saying, "I would like to see a little orphan." The girl replied, "I am an orphan." The visitor seemed shocked, we do not know yet just what was her mental picture of an orphan. A home like ours is really an institution within itself. Practically everything that is done in the average small town is done here. In the first place, we have about all the activities that can be found in the average community. Road upkeep, farming, dairying, poultry raising, milk delivery, laundry delivery, gathering up of garbage, sewing, shop work, carpentry, plumbing, electric work, pay day and scores of other things. The orphanage maintains a modern office and commissary.

Boys and girls find opportunity to do almost all the things in the Baptist Orphanage that they could find to do in the average community in Mississippi. We suffer from only two abnormalities. One is, that we have no fathers and mothers, no grandmothers, no grandfathers, no aunts and no uncles. What a tragedy! What is home to a little child with no daddy, no mother, no grandmother, no granddaddy, no auntie, no uncle? Oh, if our people could only see what a difference it makes. Surely no Baptist would withhold from these little ones of ours any good thing if he could only see them without these relatives to make life worth living. No wonder they hold the superintendent's fingers, ten at a time. No wonder the other men and women on our grounds are loved by the children as they are. Children must love somebody and must be loved. No wonder the little office boy waits in the superintendent's office to put his arms around his neck before saying goodbye. How can a matron, with all the household duties, with all the care of a building, ever come to know or meet the needs of forty boys or forty girls. It takes parents twenty years to learn about their children where they don't have more than three or four. But in spite of these things, those of us at the Baptist Orphanage, both workers and children, are almost normal folk. We eat, sleep, live, go to school, attend church, say our prayers and do nearly everything else just like other people do elsewhere. It is funny, though, the way some people think about us and imagine how we live and do things. In the good old days of long ago, our mothers taught us that about the last thing on earth that she wanted to happen to us was for us to go to live in an orphanage. Somehow from that simple statement, a great many of us got the idea that orphanages were funny places and that funny people lived there. Won't you come to see us until you perhaps discover that an orphanage represents a cross section of life as it is anywhere else?

—BR—

**NEWTON:** We closed the College Church Youth's Week yesterday. Chester Swor led the meeting. Great crowds and a real revival in student body and the church.—R. A. Morris.

**Holly Springs:** Last Sunday our people brought in \$472.56 for the Emergency Relief offering.

## KNOW YOUR BIBLE

QUIZ QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS  
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Do you know the approximate amount of "the widow's mite" in today's money? The 'mite' would be about one-quarter of a cent, and as the widow cast into the treasury "two mites," her contribution would be about one-half a cent. See Mark 12:42.

Was brick used in Biblical times? Yes, much larger in size than our modern brick, Egyptian brick being 12 to 13 inches by 3½ inches thick. Israelites and other captives made brick for building purposes (Exodus 1:4). When made from Nile river mud they required straw to prevent cracking.

### FROM THE PENS OF GREAT MEN AND WOMEN

"When you have shut your door and darkened your room, say not to yourself you are alone; God is in your room and your guardian angel likewise."  
—Epictetus.

Number 6 of a series. For permanent record, clip, and paste in a scrapbook.

There are three distinct kinds of linen mentioned in the Bible. What are they? (1) Ordinary linen in plainest texture; (2) linen of a superior fabric; (3) linen of finest texture and costliest quality. Use of each kind found in Leviticus 6:10; Ezekiel 9:2; Daniel 10:5; Revelation 15:6; Exodus 39:27; Esther 8:15; First Chronicles 15:27; Revelation 19:8.

What does 'Jerusalem' mean? It originated in very early Palestinian history, and meant a hill-top retreat, known in those days as "the Refuge" or "the Fortress."

### LARGE CROWDS ATTENDED MAIN STREET DEDICATION



DR. J. A. BARNHILL,  
Pastor, Main Street Baptist Church

April 12 will stand out as a Red Letter Day in the history of the Main Street Baptist Church at Hattiesburg. It was on that day the congregation entered their new house of worship. The Lord gave us a beautiful, warm, sun-shiny day. The congregation met at the city high school building at 9:15, where they had met to worship for seventeen months, and with happy hearts, and banners flying, marched to the new building, some four blocks away. The building was found to be entirely complete, with new, modern equipment throughout. It was a surprise and delight to all. The very much enlarged facilities were taxed to their capacity. 651 in Sunday School was a record for all time.

At the preaching hour which followed, with the pastor in charge, the spacious auditorium, with balcony, was filled to capacity and many were turned away. It was a gracious hour with the unmistakable presence of God in the midst of His people.

In the afternoon Open House was observed, with the former pastor, E. D. Solomon, of Jacksonville, Fla., as speaker. Again we had a filled house from all the city and many communities around Hattiesburg. At the evening hour the choir rendered the Cantata—"Life Everlasting," to an overflow house. Quite a number came into the church on profession of faith and by letter.

Brother E. D. Estes, State Evangelist, was with the Becker Baptist Church, Monroe County, in a study course, April 12-17. The average attendance was about thirty. He preached several times for us, and did a fine job on both. We were helped very much.

Pastor James L. Sullivan, of Clinton, was recently in a meeting at Leitchfield, Ky. There were eleven additions. Rev. C. J. Smyly is the pastor at Leitchfield.

According to the "Chaplain's News Service," Mt. Vernon Place church uses service men in uniform to take up the collection. This seems a good way of making service men feel at home.

### SEMINARY

The Seminary church was very fortunate in securing the able services of our State Sunday School Secretary, Bro. E. C. Williams, for a Teacher Training Course last week. Through the untiring efforts of the superintendent, Prof. A. L. Andrews, every officer and every teacher of the Sunday school attended the classes. Also several prospective teachers and workers came.

Growing out of the class work the church on last Sunday voted to have another Teacher Training class this summer; set a regular time for Workers' Council and decided to try to reach the A-1 Standard by October 1st.

The church also voted to have a young people's revival, which is to begin April 17th. Reily Munday and Joe Canzonari, Jr., of Mississippi College, will assist.—T. W. Talkington, pastor.

## Mississippi College

Separate Campuses for  
Men and Women  
Standard four year  
Courses

Choice young men and women are invited to investigate the unusual opportunities offered. New courses begin every six weeks. Summer terms begin May 26 and July 6. Fall Session, Sept. 7. For summer bulletin or regular catalogue, write

D. M. NELSON, Pres.,  
Clinton, Mississippi

## JUNE 1st DEADLINE!

We, your Mississippi Baptist Minister Retirement Committee, again call attention to June 1, next, as the deadline for securing prior service benefits, and we further urge all our present 400 non-participating pastors to complete application at once.

Faithfully yours,

JUDGE SIDNEY SMITH  
DR. H. F. GARRISON  
PASTOR ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON  
PASTOR JAMES L. SULLIVAN  
DR. JOHN McINTOSH

### EXPLANATION:

Ministers joining the Retirement Plan after June 1, 1942, will not be able to secure the benefit of salary levels prior to that date. They will be able to enter the Plan, but under increased penalty.

Please let us have Pastor blanks, prior service blanks and church blanks AT ONCE, all in duplicate and properly executed.

Blessings upon you.

D. A. McCALL  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

### Ridgecrest Bus

We have a bus that is going to Ridgecrest for Sunday School Week, July 11-17. The transportation charge on this bus for the round trip will be only \$7.50.

If you want a place on that bus, please write us at once as the number going on it will be necessarily limited. Give this immediate attention. It would be great if a number of the associations would get a bus load of their associational officers and others and go to Ridgecrest for Sunday School Week, July 11-17. Brother superintendent, see what you can do along this line. It will pay mighty big dividends on your work.

### Vacation Bible Schools

We want 1942 to be our biggest year yet in Vacation Bible School work. And there is certainly no good reason why it should not be. We had more schools last year than ever before, and with all the old schools coming back this year and then the many new schools, we should go far beyond anything we have ever done.

The Vacation Bible School gives to each church each year a very unusual opportunity. It is a special time when the boys and girls from four to sixteen years of age get several days of very special help in intensive study and training on Bible study, Bible stories, habit stories, mission stories, songs, worship, handcraft, sword drills, notebook work, supervised play, etc. It means so very much in their lives. Many teachers of Sunday school classes say they can easily know those who have attended the Vacation Bible school. The additional knowledge gained here is of great value to them in all places of study and work. And if our boys and girls ever did need all we can possibly give them to aid in their spiritual growth and development, surely we are now in that very time.

These schools of course must be held during May, June, July and August—the vacation time for our boys and girls. That time is now upon us. And we have ample time to make all our plans for the work of the Vacation school, but the time will slip by rapidly and if we do not get busy now and make our plans it will soon be too late for 1942. Therefore, let pastors and superintendents start right now and get all things ready for this school.

Set the date for it, enlist the principal and faculty, get the books, and start advertising. Just remember, any church can have a Vacation Bible school. Whether you have ever had one or not doesn't matter. You can have one anyway. The books are so complete and each day's program so thoroughly outlined as to each item of the work that people with no previous experience can go right on and have a fine school. Just try it and see how well you get along.

The books may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson. The 1942 series is Beginner A, Primary B, Junior A, Intermediate A. We also have the packages of free 1942 promotional literature that is very helpful in giving

quite a bit of information about these schools. This will be gladly sent free on request.

### Standards

We take pleasure in giving here several standard units that have recently come in. Many others should go and do likewise.

**SCHOOLS:** Foxworth, no pastor at present, B. B. Koen, superintendent; Goss, Rev. J. G. Miller, pastor, John C. Tolar, superintendent.

**DEPARTMENTS:** Intermediate, of New Albany (second quarter), Mrs. Varda Smith superintendent; and the Primary department of the First Church, Jackson, has become standard for the first time now in several years, thanks to the superintendent, Mrs. H. F. Garrison, and her fine helpers. This is probably the largest Primary department in the state.

**CLASSES:** Intermediate, Eagles, Southside Jackson, Mrs. Mae Vaughan, teacher; Daughters of Ruth, New Albany, Mrs. James Stroud, teacher; Owls, New Albany, Mrs. W. T. Simmons, teacher.

**Junior—Six Pointers,** Crystal Springs, Miss Gladys Green, teacher; Cheerful Helpers, Quitman, Mrs. W. E. Blair, teacher; and from Philadelphia for the second quarter the Church Goers, Miss Eliza Crews, teacher; Character Builders, J. E. Fields teacher; Doers of the Word, J. P. Foster, teacher; Race Runners, Miss Ruth Lay, teacher; Shining Lights, Miss Mattie Mae Viverette, teacher; Light Bearers, Miss Gladys Darby, teacher; Truth Seekers, Mrs. P. E. Walker, teacher.

We are indeed grateful for all these, and extend heartiest congratulations to all members of each unit.

### New Church

Shady Grove is a new church that has been organized in Bolivar County. Of course, they started with a Sunday school. The pastor is Rev. Charlie Sandifer, Clinton, and the superintendent is Mr. W. B. West, Jr. The church membership is 28 and they have 36 enrolled in Sunday school. The Lord's richest blessings be upon them.

### New Libraries

Gum Grove church (Lincoln County) has recently started a church library with Miss Zula Keen as librarian, and the Richton church (Perry County) has done likewise with Mrs. C. L. Henderson as librarian.

Also, we note that these churches have just made their first library report: Hope, in Neshoba County; Union, in Newton County; Belmont, in Tishomingo County.

We are much encouraged over the very excellent growth in church libraries. Many other churches should organize a library this year. The Sunday School Board's free offer still stands for every new library. Write for leaflet of information.

—BR—

**CANTON:** From Pastor Holland at Canton we learn that Joseph Allmon, who is a senior at Mississippi College, is to become assistant pastor at New Albany. Pastor Kirkland gains, and Pastor Holland loses.

### CALLED TO MADISON, GA.

Just finished a week's work at Port Gibson with Brother L. Reed Polk who has accepted a call to Madison, Ga. We are sorry to lose such a good preacher, fine pastor, and outstanding Christian gentleman. It is a great loss to our state—but our loss is Georgia's gain. May God use him over there.

In five years in Port Gibson Brother Polk has led his people to pay off the church debt that has been hanging on so long; doubled, then tripled BTU attendance, with a wide-awake, aggressive program; reorganized and rejuvenated the Sunday school, until now they lack only one-half a point being a Standard Sunday School!

This church, with a resident membership of 185, gave over \$368 to the Co-operative Program last year. That is almost two dollar per member. The church is in splendid financial condition, with no outstanding obligations. All in all, the church has prospered in every way. Brother Polk's last service was a baptismal service, last Sunday night. Three were baptized. Two deacons had been ordained shortly before.

We are sorry to lose Brother Polk, but shall pray for him as he goes.

JOHN A. FARMER.

—BR—

### SOLDIER SUPPORTS HOME CHURCH

"I am enclosing a money order for \$37.00. I wish you would place \$10.00 to the Building Fund, \$10.00 to Foreign Missions, \$5.00 to Home Missions and \$1.00 to Canton Baptist Church."

This same boy sent \$8.00 to the Hundred Thousand Club last month.—First Church Bulletin, Canton.

Dear Brethren:

The Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, is to be engaged in its spring revival the week of May 4-9, and we are anxious to have a good revival. I mean by a good revival, a revival that will call men and women to their knees, from their sins. We have so many meetings, and not much lasting results.

As most of our brethren know, we have a mighty challenge in North Jackson, and our heart yearns to see great things happen here.

We are now in the midst of a program of expansion. We have recently secured a wonderful site on which to build a new church. We are getting the grading done now, and we are turning our attention toward a new building. Those of you who have had experience in a building program know that it is a pretty big undertaking. May be have your prayers for all of our work?

Rev. A. B. Pierce of Crystal Springs will lead us in our revival May 4-9. You are invited to attend.

I. F. METTS, Pastor.

—BR—

### JOINED HANDS TOO LATE!

Out in the west a little girl had become lost in the fields of wheat, thick and tall far above her flaxen curls. A search was made for her everywhere. All to no avail. At last someone suggested that instead of looking here and there, and along the edges of the wheat fields, all join hands and go back and forth through the fields in row after row. They joined hands and at last the men of one row came upon her—too late. As the frantic father caught her in his arms, he cried, "My God, why did not we join hands sooner!"—Maritime Baptist.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE WHERE LEADERS ARE TRAINED

### HONORS WON IN HIGH SCHOOL BY MEMBERS OF 1941-1942 STUDENT BODY OF B. M. C.

Valedictorians .....	32	Debate and Speech Honors .....	6
Salutatorians .....	14	Biology Honors .....	1
Scholarship Medals .....	10	Voice and Piano Contest Honors .....	7
National Honor Society .....	19	Essay Winners .....	4
Senior Class Presidents .....	14	Accompanists for Glee Club and Orchestra .....	3
Junior Class Presidents .....	9	Class Poet .....	1
Sophomore Class Presidents .....	5	Basketball Team .....	34
Freshman Class Presidents .....	7	Glee Club .....	57
Girl Reserve Presidents .....	20	Dramatic Club .....	25
4-H Club President .....	1	Basketball Honors .....	3
Dramatic Club Presidents .....	7	Band or Orchestra .....	30
Student Government President .....	1	Class Play .....	38
Music Club Presidents .....	5	Debating Club .....	10
Latin Club President .....	1	Swimming Team .....	4
Annual Editors .....	4	Volleyball Team .....	1
School Paper Editors .....	21	Archery Honors .....	2
Student Government Council .....	14	Class Prophets .....	3
Paper Staff .....	46	Literary Society .....	5
Dramatic Club Officers .....	4	Tennis Team .....	7
Girl Reserve Officers .....	24	Quartettes .....	12
Senior Class Officers .....	28	Pep Squads .....	18
Annual Staff .....	12	R. O. T. C. Sponsors .....	2
4-H Club Officer .....	1	Queen Mid-South Garden Club .....	1
Current Events Club Officer .....	1	Writers Club .....	4
Home Economics Club Officers .....	5	Track Honors .....	4
Math Club Officer .....	1	Music Club .....	14
Winners in Field Meet .....	29	Who's Who .....	27
Winner 4-H Club Trip .....	1	Piano Recital .....	2
County-District-State Bookkeeping Honors .....	1	Banking Club .....	1
Balfour Award Winners .....	5	Softball Team .....	5
Citizenship Award Winners .....	17	Hockey Team .....	2
Activity Medal Winners .....	3	Football Queens .....	3

Leadership, scholarship, and ability are indicated by the above figures. Twenty-seven per cent of the students were valedictorians, salutatorians, winners of scholarship medals, and members of The National Honor Society.

Thirty-four per cent of them were presidents of high school organizations and editors of school annuals and school papers.

Forty-nine per cent of the students were officers of high school organizations. This 49% does not include presidents of organizations.

Thirty-one per cent of our students this year were winners of citizenship awards, field meets, debates, speech honors, essay contests, etc.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE**  
"A COLLEGE SET ON A HILL"  
Lawrence T. Lowrey, President



TWENTY-EIGHTH AVENUE HATTIESBURG COMPLETES BUILDING



As a result of the building program at Twenty-Eighth Avenue Church in Hattiesburg they now have a building which cost \$2800.00 and only a debt of \$400.00. The church operates on a full time basis, has a Sunday School, B. T. U., and a W. M. U. This church has been contributing to the Cooperative Program since its organization in June, 1941. They also have the EVERY FAMILY plan. The pastor, Rev. B. E. Craft, recently conducted a revival meeting resulting in 13 additions to the church.

YOUNG PEOPLE TAKE CHARGE AT FIRST CHURCH, LAUREL

In celebration of Youth Week the First Baptist Church of Laurel turned over to the young people this week the duties and responsibilities of every department and every office in the church. Charles T. Walters presented them with their symbol of authority, a huge metal key, to unlock the door of opportunity for serving the church.

Many members, young and old, of the congregation were visibly affected by the sermon of Joe Roberts, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Roberts, who is a first year student at Mississippi College. In his message on "The Call of Moses" at the Sunday morning service, the youthful preacher cited true incidents that would appeal to his listeners and conducted himself with dignity and poise. He spoke again at the evening service on the text, "Kept By The Power of the Blood." The Junior and Intermediate Choir had charge of the music in the morning and the Junior Quartette was heard in the evening.

The young people presided at the deacons' meeting. They will offer recommendations this week following a meeting of the finance committee. They conducted the W. M. U. business meeting on Monday and had charge of the Brotherhood meeting and the prayer service on Wednesday night.

Among the personnel Joe Roberts became temporary pastor, substituting for the Rev. L. G. Gates. Ellis McNeel took the place of Fred Scholfield, minister of music and education, also that of Miss Martha Hurst, B. S. U. director. E. D. Hurst, Jr., assumed the duties of Sam Lindsey, Sunday School superintendent, deacon and head of the house committee. Kerney Hall McCormick undertook the chairmanship of the board of deacons and became superintendent of the Intermediate department instead of Charles T. Walters. Billy Taylor doubled for E. D. Hurst, Sr., church treasurer, while Cyrus Small was assigned Harry Smallwood's chairmanship of the finance committee. Miss Erin Hocutt served as president of the Woman's Mission Union, the office being held by Mrs. G. B. Landrum.

B. Moody, Harry Joe Tew, Ernest Geer, also finance committee, usher.

Billy Geer, also chairman ushers, house committee.

Braxton Anderson, also finance committee, usher.

Billy Winn, Sonny Hunter, also superintendent Adult Department, usher.

Lavern Alexander, also finance committee, usher.

Billy Darwin, also chairman pulpit committee.

Robert Parker, Ted Yount, Jack Lewis,

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B.T.U. ATTENDANCE

Jackson, First	1056	271
Jackson, Calvary	1047	265
Jackson, Griffith	731	327
Hazlehurst	227	
Highland Baptist Church,		
Meridian	248	
Corinth, First	164	63
Crystal Springs	319	103
Sunflower	74	
Natchez, West Side	110	
Eudora	57	66
Olive Branch	76	36
Wallerville	21	82
New Fellowship	50	
Calvary, Greenwood	95	31
Louisville, First	312	92
Ellison Ridge	110	50
Cross Roads, Webster County	61	
Bethlehem, Laurel	92	85
Bethlehem, Choctaw Co.	1	
Bear Creek, Attala County	42	15
Newton	245	88
Louisville, First (April 19)	337	97
West Laurel (April 19)	561	137
Paden (April 19)	29	
Tupelo (April 19)	718	198

Ernest Hoffman, Kenneth Anderson, also pulpit committee.

Serving with Erin Hocutt as president of the W. M. U. are: Helen Sue Ingram, visitation vice-president; Sarah Joe Wilson, secretary; Betty Smallwood, treasurer; Joe Helen Burke, pianist; Elizabeth Boteler, chorister; Grace Garbo, Young People's leader; Margaret Hassell, mission study chairman; Mary C. Sanders, Bible study chairman; Betty Small, stewardship chairman; Mary Pearson, personal service chairman; Ann Quimby, educational chairman; Martha Armstrong, publication chairman; Ann Darden, publicity chairman; Rebecca Boyd, coupon chairman.

Kathleen Campbell, chairman Circle 1; Wilma Rae Jackson, Circle 2; Pat Payne, Circle 3; Grace Roberts, Circle 4; Carolyn Robertson, Circle 5; Louise Walker, Circle 6; Geraldine Lewis, Circle 7; Anita Headrick, Circle 8; Margaret Fowler, Circle 9; Elaine Welborn, Circle 10; Kay Hurst, Circle 11.

Sarah Joe Wilson, Margaret Leggett, Sunbeams.

Joanne May, Juanita Byrd, Girls' Auxiliary.

Betty Winn, Mary Ross, Girls' Auxiliary.

Jane Whitehead, George Leavell, Royal Ambassadors.

Elizabeth Boteler, Lewis G. Gates, Royal Ambassadors.

Jo Helen Burke, Jessie Gates, Young Woman's Auxiliary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON (Continued from Page Eight)

throne room in our hearts?

(2) **The King Commanding.** "He sendeth." He has a right to command. His commandments are not grievous. We are happy when we obey. Why should we ever hesitate or refuse?

(3) **The King Foretelling.** "Ye shall find." He sees beyond and below our horizon. He shapes the future for us. He prepares the way we ought to pursue. Can we not trust Him implicitly?

(4) **The King Fulfilling.** "A colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat." The seers of old beheld Jesus afar, and minutely they pictured details of His career. He filled out completely the picture they drew of Him. The whole past converges upon Him.

(5) **The King Acknowledged.** "Their garments; branches which they had cut from the fields." Jesus claimed to be spiritual King. His disciples accepted Him as the King of their hearts and lives. They spread their garments, therefore, along His triumphal way. Palm branches significantly graced the procession. The shouts of the throng could not be mistaken. Let all men join in glad hosannas!

(6) **The King Proclaimed.** "They cried, Hosanna; Blessed is He—Blessed is the kingdom." The popular shout struck the right note; Jesus was the Son of David, both officially and racially. He deserved the hosannas. The truth in the triumphal entry dawning more and more upon the world. Finally every knee shall bow before Him and every tongue acknowledge His lordship.

(7) **The King Compassionating.** "He saw the city and wept over it." He saw it with all its sin and shame. He foresaw its fate in utter wreck and ruin. Yet He loved it, yearned for it, wept over it. Is He not worthy of the throne in every heart?

Gold in the Golden Text

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Mark 11:9.

Jesus is here. He came over Olivet on that triumphal Sunday. He has

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marched in triumph down the centuries to our time. He is with us today in power.

Jesus is Lord. He appeared in Jerusalem bearing the name of Lord. He has not changed His name. He is entitled to our allegiance. He is our Sovereign as well as our Saviour.

Jesus is blessed. Heaven bends low with benediction upon Him. Earth takes up the glad refrain. In our heart of hearts we magnify Him as blessed forevermore.

—BR—

Mrs. Cradle Roll Superintendent: IF you have been guilty of casual, half-hearted planning of your Cradle Roll Day observance, will you not seriously consider the importance of this year's program? Purpose in your heart to make the most of the opportunity and claim God's blessings upon your effort.

If you suffer MONTHLY FEMALE PAIN which makes you WEAK, CRANKY Nervous—

If at such times you're annoyed by cramps, headaches, backache, distress of "irregularities," a bloated feeling, periods of the blues—due to functional monthly disturbances—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This famous liquid not only helps relieve monthly pain but also tired, nervous feelings of such days when due to this cause. Lydia Pinkham's Compound is one medicine you can buy today made especially for women—taken regularly it helps build up resistance against such symptoms. Follow label directions. Worth trying!



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The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has secured all the published writings, and all manuscripts yet unpublished, of Dr. B. H. Carroll. The list, including the famous thirteen-volume "Interpretation of the English Bible," totals some thirty titles. These the Sunday School Board will publish under the imprint of The Broadman Press. They may be secured immediately, and as the unpublished manuscripts are prepared, from your Baptist Book Store.

A FREE DESCRIPTIVE FOLDER WILL BE SENT UPON REQUEST.

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## BELZONI REMODELS

The new Baptistry at the Belzoni Baptist Church was used for the first time on Sunday, April 12, as Pastor W. L. Compere baptized eight candidates.

A part of a much needed building remodeling program put through this spring, the beautiful new baptistry is of modern design lined with sheet lead and located above the old baptistry. It will add much to the impressiveness and beauty of the ordinance.

Other improvements made in the building include the building of some new stairways and new partition walls in the basement. The work in the basement makes usable much space heretofore wasted. The church will be able now to provide adequately for all its organizations for some years to come, allowing for much growth along all lines.

The outlook for the work in "The Heart of the Delta" is good. The W. M. S. raised about \$160 for the March offering for Home Missions, and the church brought in \$109 for the emergency appeal for Chinese Relief. Eighteen people have been baptized into the church membership since the first of the year and the church is proving very responsive to the pastor's leadership.—W. L. Compere, Pastor.

—BR—

## THE TITHING BULLETIN

The Tithing Bulletin, as prepared by Layman Tithing Foundation, offers every church the most effective of tithing education plus relief from half the expense and worries of the ordinary bulletin.

The Bulletin consists of four pages. They are furnished either with pages 2 and 3 blank or with 1 and 4 blank. The printed pages carry any one of thirty-two of the famous layman tithing messages. They may be printed, multigraphed or mimeographed at one impression. This affords a quiet but effective course in stewardship education. Write for free samples, and price list.

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## BUNKER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH



November 11, 1942, will see the 60th anniversary of Bunker Hill Baptist Church—one of Marion County's oldest, and one of Mississippi's first full time rural churches.

On November 11, 1882, the following people composed the charter membership: L. L. Thompson, J. E. Bass, J. A. Bryant, J. W. Thompson, Abner Polk, W. A. Polk, J. A. Wilks, J. W. Cox, Daniel Polk, Henry Moore, J. D. Grice, Eliza Bass, Nancy Bryant, C. Thompson, Elizabeth Polk, Martha Polk, A. M. Wilks, Caroline Cox and Zilpha Cox.

Elected J. W. Cox and J. W. Thompson as the first deacons of this church.

From this humble beginning Bunker Hill Church progressed from quarter-time to half and three-quarter time—building two places of worship until the year 1925, when it went on full time.

In 1926, during the pastorate of Bro.



REV. W. E. WINSTEAD

L. T. Aultman, a new church was erected.

Looking back over the church records we find the following men have served as pastor of this church: T. S. Powell, F. D. Barrs, T. E. H. Robinson, J. W. Walker, J. R. Carter, R. R. Turnage, W. E. Hathorne, J. J. W. Mathison, J. B. Polk, T. D. Cox, L. D. Posey, S. A. Wilkinson, T. J. Moore, G. H. Shuttles, J. H. Watts, A. D. Muse, J. B. Quin, J. O. Buckley, L. T. Aultman, M. S. Varnado, Bryan Simmons, S. E. Nix, H. D. Jordan and W. E. Winstead.

Four of the original members, namely: Abner Polk, Hattiesburg; Mrs. Liza Bass, Lumberton; Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thompson, Louisiana, are still living and are active members of their respective churches.

In years past Bunker Hill Church has given the following men to labor as pastors in other fields: T. D. Cox, J. B. Polk, C. E. Bass and Grayson Miller.

Present membership of the church now totals five hundred (500) with an average of one hundred and forty attending Sunday School. The church also has an average of one hundred active B. T. U. members. Throughout the community there are seven circles of W. M. U.

Present officers in the church include: W. E. Winstead, pastor; L. B. Thompson, treasurer; H. E. Thompson, clerk; J. A. Johnston, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. M. C. Conerly, B. T. U. director; Mrs. J. A. Johnston, W. M. U. president.

Deacons in the church are: C. L. Robbins, L. B. Thompson, H. E. Thompson, C. S. Evans, S. J. McNeese, J. W. Hitt, R. L. McCullough, H. T. Cox, J. A. Johnston and O. B. Robbins.

1942 saw great changes in Bunker Hill Church in the building of a much needed Sunday School annex, costing approximately \$3,000.00 in cash. The building was erected mostly by volunteer labor of the church members. It consists of four-

## THE TITHING CORNER

## DR. WILLIAMS GIVES TITHING EXPERIENCE

I have been requested to write an article on my experience in tithing. Yes, I believe in tithing. I believe that it is God's plan, and that the tenth is the minimum He would have His children definitely turn over to His cause. Early in life I was taught tithing in Sunday School and learned that it was clearly taught in the Scriptures. For me there was only one thing to do about it. I accepted the Scripture's plan and have been tithing pretty well ever since I was twelve years of age, and get a great deal of pleasure out of it and even until the present I have no desire to quit.

It gives a comforting and satisfactory feeling to have God as a partner in all your business. I recognize the tenth to be His, not mine, and the fact that He allows me to be in possession of it causes me to believe that not only is it a sacred trust but that He is trusting me with it and so because He has confidence in me I am unwilling to betray His trust. And so I bring it to the place that I feel He would have me bring it. If I do not bring it, then I am keeping that which does not belong to me any more than money that I had borrowed from a bank. I feel that God is a wonderful partner and One who can handle the difficult problems of any position. I feel that He handles my position, not only by blessing it but by giving me knowledge and ability. I try to stay on the job and do what I can. I know He is always on the job and I think it is just and right for me to acknowledge this and return a tenth to help carry out His program. I remember my mother teaching me when I was a small boy that God could see me and would see me all the time and could tell what I did and what I thought. This she made so clear and real that it has been with me ever since. I believe that when we divide our money that God is pleased and sees whether we are honest or not.

We teach tithing in our Sunday School and occasionally put on special tithing programs. We have had some tithers all the while but not until a few months ago did we have so many. Our Brotherhood took the program in hand and one quarter we studied a book on Stewardship and on the first Sunday in October, which is the beginning of our church year, we accepted the responsibility of securing pledges and tithing. Four of the men had charge of the morning service and each one made a short talk on tithing and its benefits. At the close of the services we gave an opportunity for the people who were willing to be honest with God to make an expression. The results of that program are that over a fourth of our membership agreed to tithe. We have a similar program the first of each October. The results have been very, very fine. The preacher has not had to talk money except to complement the results. God put it on my heart and then on the hearts of our people and all of us are being blessed materially and spiritually.

Sincerely,  
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Drew: Last Sunday thirty Teacher Training awards from the Sunday School Board were given to workers who completed the course in "The Way Made Plain," taught by the pastor. At the evening service the ordinance of baptism was administered to ten candidates. This makes a total of thirty-four recent additions to Drew church.

teen separate departments giving ample room for the Standard Sunday School of this church. The building is furnished with electric lights, Butane gas and attic fans.

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